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TAMPA TO HAVE COLORED SCOUT EXECUTIVE

TAMPA, Fla.—(SNS)—

Through the Urban League and the Negro Committee on Boy Scouts a successful financial campaign has been completed thus making it possible for Tampa Boy Scouts to reap the benefits of the supervision of a full time director. The money raised by these agencies will be supplemented by a fund from the white Boy Scout department.

Much speculation has been brought about since this movement met the unexpected response of many citizens, committees and clubs. It is believed by many that the present Urban League in corporation with many civic clubs has cemented the Negro projects for local as well as national betterment, a fact heretofore considered a virtual impossibility.

The need of a Scout Executive is eminent in Tampa since most volunteers in this work are men engaged in professions and cannot devote their entire time to scout supervision. The executive, who must have training and experience in the scouting field, will be chosen by the Local Council and the National Scout committee. The efforts to help themselves on the part of the scouts is worthy of comment. Throughout the drive many scouts sponsored individual projects in attempts to donate something to the fund which grew at a fast pace.

The scouts are preparing for their yearly camp. No definite plans have been outlined but the enthusiasm of the scouts and the magnificent support that they are getting guarantees its successful execution.

Valdosta, Ga., Daily Times
June 18, 1941

Boys Institute For Negroes Begins Tonight

The opening session of the Boy's Work Institute, teaching Scouting methods and fundamentals, will begin tonight at 8 o'clock at the Bethel Methodist church on Johnson street.

The Negro divisional committee of this district is putting on

the training school for the scoutmasters, troop committeemen, district members and others interested or dealing in boys work. This will give them a chance to become acquainted with the scouting program as carried out throughout the world and especially train them for their responsibilities in their own troops or district.

J. B. Everett, divisional training chairman, will be in charge of the training institute with B. I. Boyett, field scout executive, assisting in the training. They will be assisted by a faculty of men well versed in the various phases of scout work.

Any man who is interested in boys or boys' work is invited to come out tonight and begin this school of valuable instruction in dealing with your own and your neighbor's boy. The entire Institute is free and is being put on by the Okefenokee Area Council Leadership Training Committee.

Suffolk, Va., News Herald
June 14, 1941

Negro Scout Troop To Be Installed

Suffolk's first Negro boy scout troop, Troop 51, will be installed at 8 o'clock Monday night at Booker T. Washington High school. Rev. C. L. Evans, chairman of the troop committee, will preside.

Scout Executive Ernest K. White will invest the new scouts with their badges, and Henry M. Pinner chairman of inter-racial scouting for the Old Dominion Area Council will make a brief talk.

S. A. Estes, Scoutmaster, will introduce the troop and discuss its activities. He will tell troop plans for attending camp at the Negro Scout Camp at Richmond.

Leaksville, N. C. News
June 5, 1941

National Leader Will Aid In Organizing Local Negro Scouts

A. J. Taylor Is Coming Here Friday In Interest Of Negro Boy Scouts.

A. J. Taylor, assistant to the National Director of the Inter-Racial Activities of the Boy Scouts of America, will come to Leaksville, Friday, to assist in organizing and developing greater interest in Scouting among the colored boys of the community.

Mr. Taylor will be here Friday afternoon and contact several of the local negro leaders preparatory to a meeting to be held with the leaders among the negro boys that evening.

Local negro Boy Scout leaders are Robert Broadnax, Frank Williams, Thomas Scales, Louis Broadnax, Robert Hairston, Thomas Foye, Tom Martin, E. D. Skinner, Willis Poole and Scott Fontaine.

Mr. Taylor, whose home is in Greensboro, has been an active leader in boys' work since 1919 when he became a student at Knoxville college, Knoxville, Tenn. He is a graduate of Henderson Institute, Henderson, N. C., and Knoxville college. As a summer student at Hampton University, Hampton, Va., he attended the first training course for negro Scout leaders in 1926.

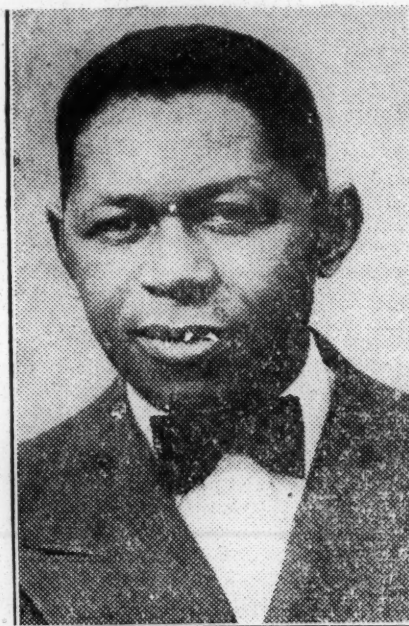
While principal of the Johnston County High school at Smithfield, N. C., he became one of the first negro scoutmasters in eastern North Carolina. Mr. Taylor became a professional leader in Scouting in 1929 and in 1937 graduated from the 53rd National Training school for Scout executives of the Boy Scouts of America.

Mr. Taylor is married.

In his work promoting the Boy Scout program among negroes, Mr. Taylor specializes in directing Scout Leaders' training courses

for local Boy Scout Councils and in negro colleges and universities.

Hundreds of leading negroes obtained from Mr. Taylor their first knowledge of the Boy Scout of America and the contribution it can make to their boys. He has also taken special training to enable him to promote the Cuk program of the Boy Scouts of America among negro boys 9, 10, and 11 years of age.



A. J. TAYLOR

Assistant to the National Director of Inter-Racial Activities, Boy Scouts of America.

Newton, N. C., News-Enterprise
June 13, 1941

CHARTER GIVEN COLORED SCOUTS

Impressive Charter Night Ceremony Held At Negro School Building

Boy Scouts from Troop Two and Three met with the negro Troop in East Newton Tuesday night at a

special "charter night" event.

Roger Saunders, Troop Two Scoutmaster, presented certificates to the negro committee, composed of Taft Broome, chairman, O. J. Mullen, treasurer, and Clarence Rice, secretary. The committee, in turn, awarded certificates to the two leaders, Scoutmaster G. H. MacMurray and his assistant, Ernest Smyre.

Sixteen negro Scouts were given badges and certificates and their badges were pinned on by mothers of the Troop members.

The program concluded with a talk made by R. N. Gurley, superintendent of the city school unit.

Memphis, Tenn., Commercial Appeal
June 14, 1941

NEGRO SCOUTS TO CAMP

Annual Outing Will Begin This Morning At 9 O'clock

The annual Camp-O-Ree of Boy Scouts of the Seminole (negro) Division of Chickasaw Council will begin this morning at 9 o'clock at Camp Daniels.

Scouts will assemble at Douglass Park and start pitching their tents for the week-long affair. First aid, cooking, Scout rescue, fire building, water boiling and forestry will be featured.

After competitive events, Guy E. Hoffman, principal of Barret's Chapel High School, will speak on "Respect to the Flag of the United States." Troop 107 Drum and Bugle Corps will play.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times
June 14, 1941

DEDICATION IS PLANNED FOR NEW NEGRO Y.W.C.A.

Plans for the formal dedication of the new building of the Phillis Wheatley branch Y. W. C. A. have been changed, and there will be no ceremonies Sunday as previously announced, according to Aline Upshaw, secretary.

"Much of the equipment and minor arrangements will not be ready and it will be necessary for us to postpone the formal opening until some time in July, the announcement said. All activities of the branch are being held in the building, located at East Eighth and Magnolia. The old building at 839 East Eighth street is being used entirely for dormitory purposes

Constitution
Atlanta, Georgia
Negro Scout School

Is Held at Valdosta
Special to THE CONSTITUTION.
VALDOSTA, Ga., June 19.—
The Boys' Work Institute, which
teaches Scouting to Negro boys,
opened tonight at Bethel Method-
ist church. The Negro divisional
committee of this district is op-
erating the Institute, training
scoutmasters and scout commit-
teemen to handle Negro Boy
Scouts.
J. B. Pett, divisional train-
ing chairman, is in charge of the
work, with B. I. Boyett, field
Scout executive, assisting. With
these officials is a faculty of teach-
ers handling every phase of Scout
work.

Journal and Guide
Norfolk, Virginia

Segregation Never Justified YMCA Laymen's Group Finds

By Edgar T. Rouzeau
BORDENTOWN, N. J. —
Pressure against the gov-
ernment, as manifested in
the technique of lobbies and
organized opinion, is the
surest and quickest means
of procuring for the Negro
his share of national defense
billions, according to find-
ings and recommendations
of the National YMCA Lay-
men's Conference in sessions
here at the Bordentown
State Industrial School.

Outstanding economists and
social welfare workers, nearly all
connected in one way or another
with the present governmental
structure, contributed to a panel
on "The Negro in National De-
fense," conducted Saturday
afternoon before a gathering of
laymen, conference workers and
"Y" executives, educators, civic
leaders and army men.

TO WHAT EXTENT IS SEGREGATION JUSTIFIED?

To the question, "How far is
the Negro justified in seeking
segregated facilities in order to
integrate more Negroes in the
defense setups," the panel con-
cluded that segregated facilities
pave the way for wage differen-
tials based on race, place a ceil-
ing on opportunities for the Ne-
gro, cost too high a price in racial
pride and self-respect and should
not be solicited as compromise
arrangements, even in spite of
immediate gains.

In the opinion of Walter
White, executive secretary of
the NAACP and a panel
speaker, "Negroes who favor
segregation have Jim Crow-
conditioned minds and are
only in favor of it because
it enables them to do a sub-
standard job and get away
with it."

It was his view that the
successful application filed
with the War Department by
Dr. F. D. Patterson, presi-
dent of Tuskegee Institute,
for an aviation training
center at the school, will re-
sult in the training of a very
small number of Negro flyers
and also act as a stumbling

block in the current fight to
open all military aviation
training centers to Negroes.
In this discussion Mr. White
was assisted by Hubert T. Delany,
member of the board of directors
of United Service Organizations,
and by Judge William H. Hastie,
civilian aide to the Secretary of
War, the latter contending that
"We should let the other fellow
figure out a solution to the segre-
gation pattern over our objection,
and not accept segregation vol-
untarily."

SETUPS IN SOUTHERN COMMUNITIES

Ira de A. Reid, consultant for
minority groups with the Fed-
eral Social Security Board, and
president of the panel, invited
opinion from the floor and drew
an observation from Walter
Offutt, a teacher of Louisville,
Ky., that in registering opposi-
tion to segregation the panel "is
overlooking the social setups in
southern communities."

Although the name of Dr. Pat-
terson was not mentioned, Dr.
Channing H. Tobias YMCA ex-
ecutive put in a ringing defense
in his behalf when he told the
conference that the Negro "would
be nowhere today were it not for
segregated institutions." He took
the attitude that the fight of the
Negro should be conducted on
two fronts, "to hold what we
have and to fight for free access
to all institutions."

Wesley, of the
faculty of Howard University,
sought to know if there were any
practical steps that could be
taken to "recondition the minds
of Negroes who had become too
used to the jim-crow system."
The panel agreed that although
education might be an ultimate
medium, the most practical one
was to put the Negro in a gainful
job on a basis of equality with
white workers.

PRESIDENT'S EXECUTIVE ORDER

The panel recommended
that all channels of public
information should be used
in the fight against segrega-
tion, and all Negro civic
agencies should collaborate
in "policing the entire de-
fense setup" to see that the
provisions of President
Roosevelt's recent executive
order, banning discrimina-
tion in defense industries,
are carried out.

In this connection it was
pointed out that it would be nec-
essary for community groups to
do their part by ferreting out
cases of discrimination, obtaining
affidavits, filing same with the
President's committee on fair
practices (soon to be appointed),
and to press for action. The panel
expressed the hope that the com-
mittee on fair practices, which
will have the responsibility of ex-
ecuting the President's order
would be made up of representa-
tive citizens "whose names would
command respect in all quarters."

A. Philip Randolph, in a de-
fense of his March to Washing-
ton movement, contended that
government does not do things
for individuals voluntarily but
always under pressure. He said
the march was intended as an
examination of the "behavior of
government in the local point of
community pressure."

NEED REAL NEGRO EXECUTIVES

Walter White, in another
phase of the discussion,
argued that Negro contacts
in Washington are not close
enough to the policy-makers
of government. "What we
need," he said, "is consistent
and intelligently directed
pressure to put Negroes in
jobs of real authority and not
as heads of Negro divisions
or as Negro aides to white
heads."

Miss Francis Williams, techni-
cal consultant in the office of
price administration and civilian
supply, thought that a "lot can
be done by making cross alliances
with other minority pressure
groups," while Major Campbell
C. Johnson, executive assistant
to the director of Selective Ser-
vice, blamed the "slow solution
of our problems in a large mea-
sure to community indifference."

Other panel speakers were
Clarence Mitchell, field represen-
tative with the Office of Produc-
tion Management; and Warren
Banner, director of research for
the National Urban League;
Robert C. Weaver, chief of the
Negro employment division of
OPM; Frank Horne, of the race
relations board of the U. S.
Housing Administration, and
William J. Trent, of the board
of race relations of the federal
works agency, were among the
scheduled speakers but were un-
able to attend the conference.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Attending the session was
Col. Howard C. Gilbert, com-
manding officer of the 372d
Infantry, stationed at Fort
Dix, and the following mem-
bers of his staff: Lt. Col.
Alexander Davis, Major Her-
bert Barrow, Capt. Sylvester
Blackwell, Capt. DeRuyter
Butler, Capt. Chas. R. Win-
throp, Lt. James A. Mayo,
Lt. James R. Hillard; Lt.
John F. Burrell, Lt. Vernon
F. Green, Lt. James P. Hayes,
Lt. St. Elmo P. Henderson,
adjutant, Capt. George J.
and the regiment's acting
adjutant, Capt. George J.
Cole.

Others who attended were Dr.
W. R. Valentine, president of
Bordentown and president of the
YMCA Laymen's Conference; Dr.
Leslie Pinckney Hill principal of
Cheyney State Industrial School;
George Murphy, of Baltimore,
Md., and Noble Sissle, of the
Army and Navy branch of United
Service Organizations.

Commercial Appeal Memphis, Tennessee INTERRACIAL TROOPS OF BOY SCOUTS URGED

National Official Holds Con- ference Here

The organization of boys of al
races into Boy Scout troops is seen
as a necessity by Stanley A. Harris
national director of Scout interra-
cial activities, both to meet pres-
ent needs and possible emergen-
cies.

He was in Memphis yesterday
for a conference with the Organi-
zation and Extension Committee of
Chickasaw Council to discuss the
national service program in which
the Boy Scouts are participating
and the part the organization will
have in disaster relief of all kind in-
cluding reconstruction of the country.

Speaking of the work among
negroes in which he is especially
interested, he said:

"The present status and plans
for developing the work among
negroes are most satisfactory.
There has been a 300 per cent in-
crease in Boy Scout organization
among negroes in the United
States during the past 10 years.
Reports showed 47,046 negroes en-
rolled in Boy Scout troops on Jan.
1, this year, with nearly 1000 of
these boys in Memphis."

Memphis is one of 34 cities in
the United States having a negro
council with a paid field execu-
tive and will therefore not share
in the appropriation of \$17,500
made at the suggestion of Mr. Har-
ris to provide a paid negro execu-
tive in negro councils of the coun-
try. The fund will be available to

organiza-
tions in the interest of the fund,
including the West Tennessee
Council at Jackson, and Jackson,
Tennessee, and the Eastern Arkansas
Council at Jonesboro.
Mr. Harris, who is a charter
member of the Boy Scouts of
America, was a member of the
Memphis Rotary Club before leav-
ing here in 1922. His headquarters
are in New York City while his
home is in Western North Caro-
lina. He will return to Memphis

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Columbus, Ga. Enquirer-Star
February 28, 1941
Columbus, Ga. Enquirer-Star
March 1, 1941

PROGRAM SET AT NEGRO 'Y'

Committee Maps Plans For
Ground-Breaking Cere-
mony On March 2

In observance of the ground-breaking exercises for the Colored Army and Navy Y. M. C. A., a suitable program has been adopted to be held Sunday afternoon, March 2, at 3 o'clock, the committee in charge announced yesterday.

The event will be marked by a band concert from 2:30 until 3 o'clock by the 24th Infantry band, singing of America, and a number of talks.

M. R. Ashworth, chairman of the committee in charge of establishing the institution, will speak and will be master of ceremonies. He will be introduced by E. E. Farley, secretary of the association.

Talks will be delivered by Mayor Edward Murrah, Walter A. Richards, chairman of the Columbus defense recreation committee; Rev. Joe S. Cook, pastor of St. Luke Methodist church; T. G. Reeves, county commissioner, and Miss Edwina Wood, of the city department of recreation.

Remarks will be made by Dr. T. H. Brewer, Chaplain L. J. Beasley, Lizzie M. Lunsford, Prof. F. R. Lampkin, Dr. R. H. Cobb, Private Easterling, of headquarters company of the 24th Infantry. The ground breaking will be carried out by Rev. T. W. Smith.

Selections during the exercises will be rendered by the 24th Infantry band under the direction of Warrant Officer R. B. Tresville.

The committee in charge of arrangements is composed of E. E. Farley, chairman; Dr. T. H. Brewer and Chaplain L. J. Beasley.

COLORED 'Y' PROGRAM SET

Exercises Sunday Afternoon
To Mark Ground Breaking
For New Building

The program has been completed for the ground-breaking exercises of the Columbus negro Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. to be held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the site of the building on Fifth avenue.

The exercises will be marked by a full program of music and talks, followed by the ground-breaking under the direction of Rev. T. W. Smith, outstanding local negro minister.

The Y. M. C. A., a project of the Columbus Defense Recreation Committee, will be used exclusively by the negro troops stationed at Fort Benning, and will come as a distinct addition to the facilities being provided here for soldiers. It will represent an investment involving a considerable sum and will be modern to the nth degree.

Negro Boy Scouts will serve as ushers during the exercises, and the music and talks will be carried to the audience by loud speakers to be installed by the Robinson Radio Service. A fleet of army trucks will be utilized to transport between 300 and 400 negro troops to the city from Fort Benning.

M. R. Ashworth, chairman of the committee in charge of the project, will preside as master of ceremonies and will also make a short talk, during which he will trace the history of the movement to furnish the Y. M. C. A.

Those who will appear on the program in addition to Mr. Ashworth will be Rev. H. I. Bearden, E. E. Farley, Mayor Edward Murrah, Walter A. Richards, Col. James M. Lockett, Dr. Joe Cook, T. G. Reeves, Miss Edwina Wood, Dr. T. H. Brewer, Chaplain L. J. Beasley, Lizzie M. Lunsford, Prof. F. R. Lampkin, Dr. R. H. Cobb, W. B. Easterling and Rev. T. W. Smith.

Music before and during the exercises will be furnished by the 24th Infantry band of Fort Benning under the direction of War-

rant Officer R. B. Tresville. Selections will also be rendered by a negro quartet.
Spartanburg S. C. Journal
March 27, 1941

First Negro Honor Court Set Friday Night in City

Spartanburg county's first negro Boy Scout Court of Honor will be held tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock at Carver high school, it was announced today by Charles Lea, executive of Palmetto council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America.

Approximately 25 applications for advancement to second class will be reviewed.

Prof. C. C. Woodson, principal of Carver high school, is chairman of the negro sub-division.

There are three negro troops in the district, with a total membership of approximately 100.

A district sub-division supper meeting will follow the Court of Honor.

Chicago Defender Chicago, Illinois Named To Council Post By Whites

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—(ANP)—At a meeting of the Knoxville Social Welfare council held Thursday,

Dean Hardy H. Liston of Knoxville college, treasurer of the committee of management and charter member of the Triads of Cansh Branch Y.M.C.A., was elected to serve as one of the council's directors for the coming term.

The membership of the social welfare council is composed of executives, committee members and directors of the social agencies in the city.

Bristol, Va. Herald-Courier
March 29, 1941

SUMMER CAMP FOR NEGRO BOY SCOUTS

Inter-Racial Committee
of Sequoyah Council in
Johnson City Meet

Summer camp for the negro Boy Scouts of the Sequoyah Council will be held during the week of June 22 at a site to be determined later, it was decided last night in a meeting of the inter-racial committee of the council, held at the John Sevier hotel in Johnson City.

Dr. Thomas P. Johnston, president of King College and chairman of the Sequoyah inter-racial committee, presided. Other Scout men attending from Bristol were R. M. Boggs, inter-racial chairman for the Bristol district, and Professor A. C. Adams of King College.

Date for the training of negro Scout leaders was set for April 3, at which time Stanley Harris, inter-racial chairman for the Boy Scouts of America, will visit the Sequoyah Council. The training session will be held in Johnson City.

Another topic of importance discussed last night was the advancement of negro Scouts. A plan similar to the camporal to be held for white Scouts was adopted.

R. M. Boggs announced that the first board of review and court of honor for negro Scouts would be held in Bristol in May. There are 8 negro troops with 89 registered members in the Sequoyah Council. Two of these troops, 17 and 18, are organized in Bristol.

Suffolk, Va., News-Herald
April 5, 1941

ORGANIZING NEGRO SCOUTS

With the arrival of A. J. Taylor, Negro member of the National Staff, Boy Scouts of America, in Suffolk Monday, definite steps will be taken to start organization of a Negro Scout Troop in Suffolk, according to John H. Waters, President of the Old Dominion Area Council. This Troop will be financially supported by the Negro citizens of Suffolk and will operate a distinctly separate but paralleled program to that of white Troops, Mr. Waters said. The first Negro Troop will be on an experimental basis and comes the result of long study on the part of the Executive Board of the Council which found that Negro Troops exist in all other sections of the South.

National Executive Taylor will hold three meetings with prospective Negro Scout leaders and others on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights at the Booker T. Washington high school. These meetings will be open to any men interested in Scouting.

The meeting Tuesday night will be open to both men and women for the first half-hour and a finter-racial Scouting will be shown.

While details of operation of the Negro Troop will be handled by a committee of outstanding Negro Citizens of Suffolk, policy making authority will be retained by the Executive Board of the Council in the same manner that this board is related to all other Troops, President Waters further stated.

East Africa and Rhodesia London, England

RHODESIA, having taught the fundamentals of scouting to the man who was to establish the greatest of all youth movements, may well be regarded as its foundation-stone; and, by his deliberate exercise of judgment and choice, East Africa was his last home and resting-place. Lord Baden-Powell, who died in Kenya last week at the age of eighty-three years, was one of the greatest servants of his age, and succeeding generations will reap rich rewards from the lessons he learnt in Matabeleland, Mashonaland and Bechuanaland, taught with the success of genius in England, and then propagated throughout the world by the agency of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides Associations. Praise for these character-forming organisations is universal—except under gangster rule, which demands the eradication of character, not its development—but few people realise that scouting and guiding took their rise when B.-P. fought the battles of a young white civilisation. In that sense they are the gift of Africa to the world; but, like most of her other gifts, they needed to be processed for use in modern conditions. Curiously enough, some years were to elapse before scouting took real hold in Africa, but it is so firmly established nowadays that Governors themselves readily accept office as Scout Commissioner in their own territories. Lord Baden-Powell's decision to settle in the quiet and beauty of the Kenya Highlands resulted in the publication of several books, illustrated by his own sketches. More important, it demonstrated that a man who had travelled everywhere could think of no better place than East Africa in which to spend his last years. Kenyans would say of him that he conceived one of his highest duties to be that of being happy and communicating happiness. Because his standards were high, his memory will still be honoured far and wide when many men now strutting the stage of world affairs will have been completely forgotten. His work will live in his example to continue to inspire.

Rhodesia the Birth-place of Scouting.

Afro-American Baltimore, Maryland

Scout Receives Award



Corbin Young Jr., of the Raleigh, N.C., Chamber of Commerce, shown presenting an award from that organization to William Robinson, of Troop 51, who was the city's outstanding boy scout in 1940.

Greensboro, N. C. News
March 18, 1941

NEGRO 'Y' CAMPAIGN BRINGS 55 MEMBERS

Efforts to Continue For Membership of 500.

The first report of the drive for 500 members at the Hayes-Taylor Memorial Y. M. C. A. last night showed 55 members secured. Other reports will be given Wednesday, Friday, and Monday nights, respectively.

Heading the drive is A. H. Peeler and his associate chairmen are Robert Haith, Watson Law, and J. A. Tarpley. George Bridges and Dr. George Simkins are serving as manager and associate manager of Division "A", and W. N. Nelson and W. L. Jones are heading Division "B".

Points to the highest producers went to Elsworth Smith, Ernest Raiford, N. Gregg, and Rev. Gallo-way.

During the past year the Hayes-Taylor "Y" has served more than 235 junior citizens through various activities. A new community program has been recently added, doing work among children between the ages of two and five years. A kindergarten school meets daily, Monday through Friday, from 9:30 a. m., to 12 o'clock. This class is under the direction of Mrs. Avvie Gordon, who invites the public to visit the class.

MORTON, CLARK NAMED TO SCOUT COMMITTEE

W. E. Morton, principal of the Opelika Public High School and Senior Scout master of the Opelika Scout unit for negro boys, and Dr. W. F. Clark have recently been elected to serve on a committee that will meet at Tuskegee Institute, Sunday, March 23, for the purpose of organizing a regional council to promote and supervise a Boy Scout program among negro youth in this section. Mr. Morton and Dr. Clark are enthusiastic Scouts and it is felt that their selection was a wise one. Other members who will serve on the committee are: Dr. R. T. Adair, Montgomery, Ala.; Barnett Smith, Montgomery, Ala.; William Wiley, Tuskegee, Ala., and Ralph B. Stewart, Tuskegee, Ala.

Spartanburg, S. C. Herald
March 25, 1941

NATIONAL SCOUT OFFICIAL WILL SPEAK HERE TODAY

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of the Boy Scouts of America will attend a luncheon meeting of Palmetto council officials this afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Franklin hotel.

At 7 o'clock tonight he will meet with negro sub-division workers at Carver high school. Plans for the expansion of negro scout work in the Palmetto council will be discussed at both meetings.

In addition to Charles Lea, Scout executive of Palmetto council, the following are expected to attend the luncheon: John M. Hamrick of Gaffney, president of the council; the Rev. T. C. Cannon of Union; Dr. A. W. Dick and J. Neville Holcombe of Spartanburg.

Representatives from Union and Gaffney have indicated that they will be present for the session at Carver high. Prof. C. C. Woodson of Carver high is chairman of the negro sub-division.

Gastonia N. C. Gazette
March 20, 1941

NEGRO SCOUTERS MEET

The Negro Scouters of the Piedmont Council met at the council headquarters last Sunday afternoon for the annual get-together to discuss ways and means for advancing inter-racial Scouting. Reports were made on several troops whose charters have lapsed and plans for re-instating these troops were made. J. W. Atkins, chairman of inter-racial Scouting in the council, presided at the meeting and Judge Bismarck Capps, council president, spoke to the men about advancing and making effective Scouting among the Negro boys. An announcement was also made about the Camporal for Negro Scouts, which will be held at Shaw University at Raleigh on May 2, 3, and 4. Any Negro Scouts desiring information about the Camporal are requested to get in touch with their Scoutmaster or the council headquarters.

Newnan, Ga. Herald
March 20, 1941

Scouting Course To Be Given For Colored Men

A Scouting course will be given colored men of Newnan, Moreland, Senoia and Grantville at the Savannah Street High school next Sunday, March 23 from 2 to 7 p. m.

William Dennis, principal of the McDonough school, will serve as training chairman. Others participating in the training course

During this time the area organization will be completed, the Court of Honor reorganized and a Board of Review set up.

will be Superintendent of Newnan Public Schools, C. B. Mathews; Messrs. Joe Parks, James Mann, J. W. Sellers, Raleigh Arhall, J. A. Lewis, H. W. Joyner, R. H. Robinson, Joe Smith and Tom Glover.

All colored men above 21 years of age are urged to take advantage of the course.

Richmond Va. Times-Dispatch

January 7, 1941

Negro 'Y' Will Elect New Officers Tomorrow

The annual meeting of the Colored Young Men's Christian Association will be held at 8 P. M. tomorrow at the A. D. Price Chapel.

Officers and directors for the year will be elected and the principal address will be delivered by Secretary J. T. Harris of Lynchburg's Hunton Branch Y. M. C. A. He will speak on "The Layman's Responsibility to the Y. M. C. A."

Reports will be made by Dr. D. W. Davis, president of the local association; Matthew G. Carter, executive secretary, and B. L. Peterson, treasurer.

The association recently completed a membership drive and obtained \$6,000 and 700 members. The building, located at Third and Leigh Streets, has been renovated and an enlarged program for men and boys was begun there this week.

Columbia S. C. Record

January 8, 1941

Scout Leaders Seek Negro Units Here

Stanley A. Harris, national director of interracial scouting from the New York offices of the Boy Scouts of America, spoke at a meeting of Negro scoutmasters and scout leaders at Carver school last night, as part of a campaign to organize troops among Negro boys of Columbia.

Mr. Harris talked on "How to prepare a program that will interest boys to accomplish the objectives of scouting." He will be in Columbia through today in the interest of the program.

C. A. Johnson, supervisor of the Negro schools in Columbia, has been appointed chairman of a committee to direct the organization of Negro scouting activities. He is now obtaining personnel to work with him in these activities.

The Negro scouting organization will be under the jurisdiction of the Central South Carolina council of the Boy Scouts of America. William E. Czarnitzki, scout executive, said.

Constitution
Atlanta, Georgia

Atlanta Negro Boys' Club To Change Status

White Group Will Take Over Supervision on March 1.

As result of a fishing club conversation between Dr. Louie D. Newton and Henry C. Heinz, president of Atlanta Boys' Club, Negro boys of Atlanta are to have a club under supervision of the present Boys' Club.

On March 1 the existing club for Negro boys will be taken under direction and financial guidance of the Boys' Club, following completion of a budget for remainder of the year. This was reported yesterday by Dr. Newton, pastor of Druid Hills Baptist church, who heads a committee which Heinz appointed to investigate the problem.

The Negro club is now known as "Negro Boys' Club of the Law and Order League of America" and is conducted under auspices of Fulton county courts. It is located at 277 Auburn avenue.

It will apply for membership in the 1942 Community Fund.

Daily World
Atlanta, Georgia

Boy Scout Given Severe Beating By Masked Men

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13-Year-Old Victim Tells Gruesome Story

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Thirteen-year-old Luther Phillips, of 110 Mills Street, North West, was recuperating nicely Wednesday from shock and injury he allegedly received last week from four colored kidnap-torturers.

Phillips, a Washington High School student, Boy Scout, promising musician and young church worker, was up and about the modest home of his parents when the reporter arrived, but he appeared still a bit nervous over an experience he said he'd never forget.

According to Mrs. Ida Phillips, Luther's mother, the youth got that way in this fashion:

A one-room house back of the Phillips domicile had been occupied for some months by a man known as Jack Huff, who had reportedly fail to pay his white landlady rent. Notified to move, Huff reportedly failed to do so. The Phillips family was told to watch the house for the owner.

Soon after this, Luther and his father allegedly saw Huff set fire to the back end of the one-room dwelling and run away. They called the owner and aided in controlling the fire until the firemen arrived. A report was made that Huff had set fire to the house and he was subsequently arrested.

The next day, a strange man called on Mrs. Phillips and warned her to have her husband and son not testify against Huff or they would be "bumped off". Mrs. Phillips said she told them she was not afraid of any occurrence like that.

Last Thursday, Mrs. Phillips received a "black hand" letter

through the mail, conveying the same message that the strange man had spoken with threats the day before. Before an hour had passed, young Phillips had disappeared from the rear part of the house. This was around 11:30 o'clock in the morning.

Luther said he answered a knock at the back door and was rushed by two men who wore green masks over their eyes. The boy related how his abductors put him in an old car containing two other persons similarly masked and drove off to a patch of woods off Fourteenth Street, N. W.

There Luther was beaten in the back of the neck, pinched and kicked, he said. His clothing was cut almost to shreds as threats of death were made if he testified against Huff. The abductors kept him there with his head pushed downward until 8:30 that night when they brought him back to the vicinity of his home and turned him loose with a warning not to swear against Huff.

Luther's father said the youth fell into the front door exhausted with fright. City police were called into the case and Federal Bureau of Investigation officers given the "black hand" letter.

Luther was sent to Juvenile Home for a few days because he was afraid to stay at home. Police trailed Mrs. Phillips as she returned from work late at night in an attempt to arrest the men who threatened the entire family and beat one member, if they appeared to harm her.

Upon Huff's commitment hearing in City Recorder's Court, he was bound over to state courts last week. Young Phillips and his father testified that they saw him set fire to the house. They said they would testify in state courts, despite the standing threats.

Government men are still trying to locate a jacket which young Phillips' abductor cut off his body and searching for further clues on

the threatening letter sent through the mail.

Clinton, Tenn. Courier
April 3, 1941

COLORED Hi-Y ELECTS CLINTON BOY OFFICER

Clifton Moore, seventh grade pupil in Clinton Colored School, was elected assistant secretary of the East Tennessee Hi-Y Conference in Knoxville last week. Clifton was the only officer elected who was not in a high school. Other Clinton delegates were William Bobo, Calvin Jarvin and Ralph Wallace.

In the recent campaign in Clinton the local school raised \$27.00 for the Colored Y.M.C.A. Because of this contribution, 11 Clinton boys are receiving memberships in the colored branch of the Y.M.C.A. in Knoxville.

Valdosta, Ga., Daily Times
April 10, 1941

Negro Boy Scouts To Be Organized

In the interest of organizing Negro Boy Scout troops in Valdosta, there will be shown or Monday night at 8 o'clock at the St. Paul A. M. E. church on South Ashley street a picture showing Scout activities.

All Negro boys in Valdosta from 9 years of age and up are invited and urged to attend Negro men who are interested in this movement are also invited to be present.

There will be no admission charge.

Interracial Party At Y W C A Provides Actual Approach To Real Democracy

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By Harold Holifield

Dancing, eating and playing games, the Crooby club of the Green Lake Congregational church and some of the community's colored youth, upwards of eighteen years of age, met in an interracial party last Friday at the Phyllis Wheatley branch Y. W. C. A.

Miss Marjory Pitter played "teacher" in a "test" game, the object of which was to see who could score the highest on unscrambling words, matching words and the like. Part of it consisted of stunts, little informal things like lapping water from saucers on the floor and reciting Lincoln's Gettysburg address. (No puns, please.)

Lincoln Wirth, adviser to the Crooby club, directed a number of classical dances which led to general hilarity because someone was always getting mixed up. They arranged themselves in squares of four, revolved counter-clockwise two times, then clockwise, then walked ahead a few steps and repeated the process. The other dance was complicated.

At 10:30, a whistle blew. Shortly thereafter, the street lamps outside were turned off, while airplanes droned high overhead, testing the city's efficiency. Carl Downs, a Californian here attending a convention, gave voice to an eloquent meditation in which he expressed a desire that last Friday's blackout would be the last one.

The lights came on again and the festivities renewed. From the kitchen was sent tea, coffee, bacon and cheese on buns. At twelve, it was time to go home and after taking leave of their new found friends, the Crooby club members climbed into a station wagon and departed.

"Everyone seemed to have a nice time," said Miss Idell Vertner, secretary of the branch "Y" after the guests had departed, Miss Vertner said that a party of that

nature had been planned for many months, but the date had not been definitely set until recently.

The arranging of the affair was done by a committee composed of Miss Joyce Cooper, Miss Juanita Valley, Miss Myrtle Jenkins and Gilbert Baker. Meetings like this do a world of good and should be encouraged, Miss Vertner said.

Waycross, Ga., Journal-Herald
March 14, 1941

NEGRO SCOUT GROUP WILL LAUNCH TROOPS

A Satilla District Divisional Committee to foster Scouting among Negro youths was organized at a meeting at St. Paul's Church here last night, Special Deputy Regional Executive Gilbert Bush, Atlanta, addressing the group.

The committee includes M. J. Hadley, chairman; T. C. Williams, vice-chairman; the Rev. J. W. Bennett, commissioner; the Rev. Grant Roberts, organization; W. H. Johnson, leadership training; the Rev. J. M. Benton, advancement; Dr. O. C. Winn, health and safety; McClellan McFoy, finance; Nathan Lowd, camping and activities.

The committee will hold its first meeting Wednesday night, April 2, at 7:30 o'clock at the Negro Public Library, when plans will be made for troop organization and activities.

Spartanburg, S. C. Journal
March 24, 1941

National Scout Official to Be In City Tuesday

S. A. Harris to Speak at Luncheon; Plan Negro Scouting Expansion

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of the Boy Scouts of America, will attend a luncheon meeting with Palmetto council officials at the Franklin hotel tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock and at 7 o'clock tomorrow night he will meet with negro subdivision workers at Carver high school.

Plans for the expansion of negro scout work in this council will be discussed at the two meetings.

In addition to Charles Lea, Scout executive of Palmetto council, the following are expected to attend the luncheon: John M. Hamrick of Gaffney, president of the council; the Rev. T. C. Cannon of Union; Dr. A. W. Dick and J. Neville Holcombe of Spartanburg.

Woodson Heads Negro Group

Representatives from Union and Gaffney have indicated that they will be present for the session at Carver high. Prof. C. C. Woodson of Carver high is chairman of the negro sub-division.

Mr. Harris was born in Johnston county, Tennessee. He graduated from Aaron seminary in 1899.

Three years later he completed the course at the University of Chattanooga, graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. From 1903 to 1907 he engaged in commercial activities at Lexington, Ky., and in the latter year became general

Union, S. C. Times
March 25, 1941

Union Scout Leaders To Meet With National Director

Rev. T. C. Cannon, chairman Union district organization and extension committee, and Roy A. Hogrefe, district chairman, attended a luncheon meeting at the Franklin hotel in Spartanburg today with Stanley A. Harris, national director, inter-racial activities, Boy Scouts of America. Other council leaders were also in attendance. Negro scouting in the Palmetto council was the topic of discussion. Plans are underway to get a full time Negro assistant Scout executive to work in Union



STANLEY A. HARRIS
National Director of Inter-Racial
Activities, Boy Scouts of America

and Spartanburg counties.

Mr. Harris will attend a meeting at the Carver Negro high school in Spartanburg tonight at 7:00. Professor A. A. Sims, chairman Union Negro divisional committee, W. E. Free, Negro commissioner, Rev. C. C. Coleman, Rev. V. A. Janerette, and several other Union Negro leaders are expected to attend the meeting.

Union and Spartanburg Negro troops are planning to attend a regional Negro camporee in Atlanta, Ga., April 25-27.

There are three registered Negro troops in Union, three in Spartanburg, one in Gaffney, and one in York.

Cleveland, Mississippi News
March 14, 1941

Negro Boy Scout Troop 77 Is Given Charter Tuesday

Prominent Business and Professional Leaders of Community Sponsor First Negro Troops.

A charter was presented the first Negro Boy Scout Troop, No. 77, to be formed in Cleveland in ceremonies in St. Paul Baptist Church (Colored) March 4. The charter was presented by County Attorney Ed Green.

Barney Norris, Clarksdale, Delta Council scout executive, charged the

new organization to the responsibilities of the scout oath, and Amzey Moore, Negro Scoutmaster of Troop 77, presented tenderfoot badges to Scouts Benjamin Franklin Stevens and Obey Lee Richardson. Members of the troop committee are H. M.

Nailor, chairman, James Boyd and B. L. Bell.

The two units of Troop 77 are known as the Alaskan Brown Bear Troop and the Mocking Bird Troop. Though only two boys had passed tenderfoot tests and joined as charter members, there are ten members of the troop.

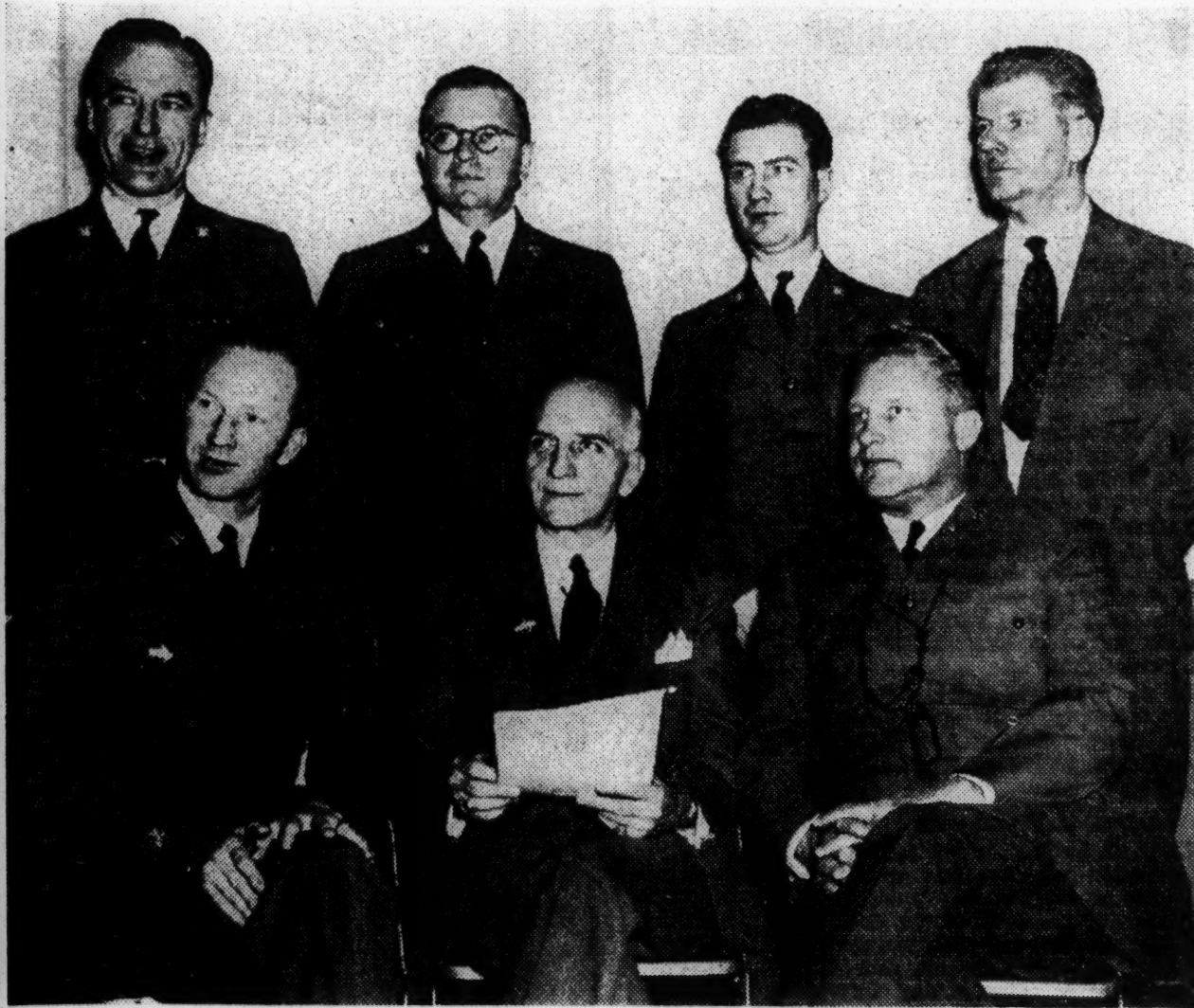
Sponsors of the new troop are: Judge R. E. Jackson, William E. Farr, Mr. Green, Superintendent of Education A. H. Ramsay, Rev. Ira D. Eavenson of the Cleveland Baptist Church, R. M. Dakin, Miss Evelyn Hammett, Professor of English, OSTC, Postmaster Ivy G. Hill, Superintendent of City Schools W. J. Parks, Bob McClain, president of the Exchange Club, Rev. W. C. Beasley of the Boyle Methodist Church, Rev. Jaynes Brinkley of the Boyle Baptist Church, and E. J. Nowell, lumber dealer. Dr. James Ward, Professor of Mathematics at Delta State, provided funds necessary for each boys' registration.

In presenting the charter, Mr. Green told the new Negro Scout troop "... you may be assured the citizens of Cleveland will heartily back you ...". In accepting the charter, Scoutmaster Moore replied "We know you are interested in us and we are going to make you proud of this organization. We want you to know that we appreciate it very much." In charging the new scouts, Mr. Norris said "You have the right to be boy scouts."

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Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times
April 16, 1941

BOY SCOUT OFFICIALS AT REGIONAL CONFERENCE HERE



—Times Staff Photo.

Scout executives and officials and representatives of the national council of the Boy Scouts of America are shown here at the final session of a two-day regional conference at the Read House yesterday. They are, seated, left to right, O. D. Sharpe, New York, assistant director of personnel; E. W. Palmer, of Kingsport, who was re-elected regional chairman; Dr. Ray O. Wyland, New York, director of education; standing, Robert Lundquist, Harley Erb, of Memphis, regional executive; George Simpson and Charles K. Peacock, executive of the Chattanooga area.

DR. WYLAND TALKS TO SCOUT LEADERS

Scout Educational Director Pleads With Churches to Support Movement

"If the churches of the United States can lay hold of the vitality of a movement like scouting and develop that movement through its leadership, then the churches won't be deserted any time soon," Dr. Ray O. Wyland, director of education of the Boy Scouts of America, said yesterday.

Dr. Wyland spoke at the final luncheon meeting of the two-day regional conference here at the Read House of scout executives and leaders from northern Alabama and Middle Tennessee. Approximately seventy-five leaders from the two states attended the session, including a number of representatives from the national council of the organization. "We have found in our years of experience in scouting that of all the institutions that seek to sponsor scout troops, the church is the only one that can always be counted upon to furnish a wholesome atmosphere. The church ministers to the individual, from the cradle to the grave, and it is logical that it sponsor a youth movement like scouting that furnished standards for the remainder of life after youth. A scout troop tied up with just any club or fraternal order or the American Legion might just as well be tied to the town pump as far as spiritual progress is concerned. "Every religious creed is represented in scouting by boys of every nationality and creed. Scouting makes no distinction and no religion dominates the movement. "American democracy is in need of spiritual rebirth, and the churches will be forced to draw upon the vitality of youth if it is to meet this need. The great vitality of scouting, added to the strength of the church, can do much to fill this national spiritual need during this age of disillusion."

need during this age of disillusion." E. W. Palmer, of Kingsport, Tenn., president of the Kingsport Press and a member of the national council of Boy Scouts of America, was elected chairman of the fifth region for the second time yesterday at the business session of the conference. Mr. Palmer was presiding officer at all sessions of the two-day meeting here.

A resolution commending that all members of the national council in each region be made members of the regional committee on scouting was adopted by the conference. The resolution is being presented at similar regional conferences throughout the United States this spring.

At the morning session Cliff W. Bowers, Chattanooga scout commissioner, made a brief talk on senior scouting, and W. G. Foster, chairman of the Chattanooga Interracial committee, spoke on interracial scouting. W. R. Senter, executive of the Chattanooga Safety council, made a brief talk on health and safety in scouting. Harry Miller, president of the Chattanooga area council, also spoke. The conference adjourned after the luncheon.

Bristol, Va., Herald-Courier
April 4, 1941

SCOUT ROUNDTABLE HELD AT ABINGDON

Plans for Organization of Negro Scouts Will Be Discussed Next Week

Plans for training negro scouted Army-Navy Y. M. C. A. It leaders were discussed by R. M. Boggs, inter-racial commissioner from Bristol, at the Abingdon committee are urged to call Sec- Scoutmasters' Roundtable held at the Martha Washington Inn last night. Mr. Boggs urged all negro leaders of prospective troops being present at next week's meeting when the idea will be discussed in full.

The annual council camporal, scheduled tentatively for June, was discussed and scout leaders from Bristol, Abingdon, Saltville, Glade Spring and Damascus promised that their boys would be present.

Possibility of organizing Cub Packs in the northern division of the Bristol district was brought up and the ten-step plan now in use was explained to the leaders. All Scouters present were asked to bring their troops to the Bristol district court of honor which will be held April 24, at the Virginia court house. This court of honor will be for all scouts in the district making advancement during the past two months.

Columbus, Ga., Ledger
April 11, 1941

Program Planned For Negro Army Y.

Arrangements have been completed for furnishing entertainment for negro soldiers at the new Y. M. C. A. building being completed on Fifth avenue, according to announcement by E. E. Farley.

A social recreation volunteer leaders training course for negroes was conducted recently under the direction of the city department of recreation and local WPA supervisors.

As a result of this course, a hostess committee was formed with the following officers: Mabel L. Kimbro, chairman; E. A. Coffee, vice chairman; Irene McAllister, secretary and Mamie M. Moates, reporter. The members of the committee are: E. A. Coffee, Ella Farley, Lula Belle Greenlee, Mabel Hall, Laura Haygood, Margaret Henderson, Ella Jones, Vernell James, Mabel L. Kimbro, Evelyn McAllister, Irene McAllister, Isabella L. Miles, Mamie M. Moates, Leticia Smith, Mattie E. Smith, Rubye Smith, Willie M. Smith, Mary F. Talley, Fannie Mae Williams, and Willie Ruth Williams.

Each member of the hostess committee is to submit a list of women or girls to act as dancing partners for the soldiers at the col-

leged. A Social Recreation Club also was organized, with the following officers: Carl Haygood, president; Leticia Smith, vice president; Irene McAllister, secretary, and Mamie M. Moates, assistant secretary. The members of the recreation club, who will serve as volunteers at all functions, are E. A. Coffee, John R. Daniel, Ira B. Davis, E. E. Farley, Ella Farley, B. T. Fowlks, Lula Belle Greenlee, Mabel Hall, Carl Haygood, Laura Haygood, Margaret Henderson, Ella Jones, Vernell James, Mabel L. Kimbro, Evelyn McAllister, Irene McAllister, Isabella L. Miles, Mamie Moates, Leticia Smith, Mattie E. Smith, Rubye Smith, Willie M. Smith, Mary F. Talley, Henry H. Thomas, Fannie Mae Williams and Willie Ruth Williams.

The playing of games will be

featured at entertainments held at the colored Army-Navy Y. M. C. A. Church services and all other entertainments for the negro soldiers will be held at the Army-Navy Y. Secretary Farley said that if there are others who would like to join the recreation club they would be welcomed.

Orlando, Fla., Morning Sentinel
April 6, 1941

Several of the council's negro troops are making plans to attend the Regional Camporal to be held in Tallahassee on the 18th of this month. The Camporal will be a three day affair and will be under the direction of Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities. Boy Scouts of America. Last year a similar event was held in Orlando with some 285 Scouts and Scouters attending.

One interesting development King Victor Emmanuel and Criberto, once the idols of the Ita have lost much of their popularity are completely subservient. Chattanooga, Tenn., Free Press
April 20, 1941

NEGRO SCOUTS PLAN MEETS ON HEALTH, SAFETY

Special Sessions Held Throughout Week at Headquarters

Colored Boy Scout leaders will hold a health and safety training institute beginning Monday and lasting through Friday at their headquarters, 124½ East Ninth Street.

Instructors will be Hubert Curtis, safety director in schools; Mr. Morgan, Miss Pickett, Dr. L. L. Patton, C. K. Peacock, W. R. Senter, safety council director, and U. W. Richardson.

The course is set up for scoutmasters, assistants, committeemen and other registered Scout leaders. This course is required for the completion of requirements set up to receive the Scoutmasters Key or Scouters' award. It will be conducted two hours each night, starting promptly at 7 and continuing to 9 p.m. For additional information, call the field executive, 7-1834.

The course is outlined as follows:
Monday—(a) Introduction by U. W. Richardson; roll call; (1) Outline by Mr. Curtis, "Accidents Among Youth"; (b) Health in Camping, Dr. Patton, "Clean Living Connected With Correct Health Measure."

Tuesday—(a) Safety in Cycling,

Safety in Athletics, Mr. Curtis; (b), Hazards of Camping, Mr. Morgan.

Wednesday—(1), Safety in Homes and Schools, Pickett; (2), Health in Camping, Dr. Patton; "Results of Sub-Standard Living."

Thursday—(1), First Aid in Scouting; (2), First Aid Demonstration.

Friday—(1), Water Safety, Mr. Senter; (2), What Leaders Can Do to Promote Health and Safety Among Scouts, Mr. Peacock.

Savannah, Ga., News

April 24, 1941

COLORED Y WORKERS TO HAVE CONVENTION

Opens Tomorrow at Georgia State College

The fourteenth annual conferences of the Georgia Hi and Tri Hi Y clubs will meet Friday through Sunday as guests of Beach High School and the Georgia State College. This conference will bring about 500 young men and women to the city from every section of the state, led by faculty advisors and Y. M. C. A. workers, trained for the work. The staff will be headed by H. W. Rohrer, state secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

The opening session will be held Friday evening in the auditorium of the State College, where all sessions will be held. This service will begin at 7:30 o'clock. The president of the state Hi Y, Charles Morrow of Gainesville, will preside, and music will be supplied by Georgia State and Beach High Schools choral groups. The theme of the conference will be "My part in a Christian democracy" and the keynote address that evening will be delivered by the Rt. Rev. Middleton Barnwell, D.D., bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Georgia. Vincent Seabrook, second vice president of the state organization, will conduct the worship services at this session.

Saturday will be devoted to the group discussions, and the annual election of officers will take place at the evening session. Jessica Mohr of Savannah, is president of the Tri Hi Y group. Guests of the conference will be honored with a ball in the Wilcox gymnasium after the evening session.

The conference will close Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock in Meldrim auditorium. Music will be furnished by the glee club of the college, under the direction of Elizabeth Adams. The conference sermon will be delivered by Dr. Benjamin Mayes, president of Morehouse College, Atlanta.

Delegates have registered with the state office in Atlanta from all sections of the state. Included are: Macon, Atlanta, Savannah, Rome, Columbus, Valdosta, Thomasville, Gainesville, Albany, Waycross, Tifton, Jesup, Athens, and other points,

Concord, N. C. Tribune

April 27, 1941

NEGRO SCOUTS WILL GATHER HERE FOR CAROLINA PARLEY

Camp-O-Ral Will Be Held Next Week-end At the CCC Camp Here.

Two hundred and fifty or 300 Negro Boy Scouts from both North and South Carolina will attend a camp-o-ral next week-end which will be held near the Civilian Conservation camps at Concord.

The project will begin next Friday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock and will adjourn shortly after noon on Sunday.

Saturday morning at 11:00 o'clock the boys attending the camp-o-ral will parade through Concord.

Scouts will be divided into patrols and each patrol will be awarded points for excellence in tracking, knot tying, and other Scouting activities.

It will be possible for a unit to win 600 points during the camp-o-ral. Each patrol that scores as many as 500 points will be granted a blue ribbon. For 400 points a patrol will get a red ribbon, and a white ribbon will be awarded for 300 points.

Stanley A. Harris of New York, national Inter-Racial chairman of the Boy Scouts, will be in direct charge of the evening assisted by A. J. Taylor, also of New York.

The Camporee for white Scouts of Cabarrus County scheduled for this week-end was postponed because of unfavorable weather.

It will be held next Friday and Saturday at Camp Cabarrus.

Orlando, Fla., Morning Sentinel
April 25, 1941

Thirteen negro Scouts from Troop 87 of Orlando attended the regional camporal which was held last week-end in Tallahassee when more than 100 negro Scouts came together for this annual event. Twenty-six negro Scouts from Sanford also attended the camporal, making a total of 39 Scouts and seven Scouters from our council.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times
May 1, 1941

L. D. COLLINS CHAIRMAN OF NEGRO SCOUT DRIVE

L. D. Collins was elected chairman of the colored Boy Scouts' summer camp drive at a meeting last night in their quarters at the Odd Fellows' hall, 124½ East Ninth street.

The drive was launched by approximately eighty men and women representatives of the scout troops of the Chattanooga area, and plans were made to have reports from captains and lieutenants in the drive on Tuesday and Thursday nights each week.

Twenty-five captains and fifty lieutenants were appointed last night, and the group will be increased to fifty captains as the drive progresses, Prof. J. L. Jenkins, scout commissioner in charge of the work, stated.

Brief addresses were made by Dr. P. A. Stephens, Dr. L. L. Patton, Prof. W. A. Hogge, Walter Hainey and Jennie Mondul, East Fifth Street school teacher.

Funds from the drive are to be used to finance the camp for the boys this summer and to pay the expenses of underprivileged scouts participating.

The first report will be made tonight, when captains, lieutenants and interested persons will hear Booker T. Scruggs, manager of College Hill courts.

Knoxville, Tenn., Commercial Appeal
April 28, 1941

Negro "Y" Plans Drive

Seeking to raise \$1500 through its annual membership drive, the Mississippi Avenue Branch of the negro Y. M. C. A. will open its campaign at 8 o'clock tonight with a dinner at headquarters, 816 Mississippi. L. J. Searcy, executive secretary of the Community Welfare League, is drive chairman, and M. W. Bonner, chairman of the Board of Directors, will serve as master of ceremonies.

Spartanburg, S. C. Journal
May 13, 1941

Negro Scout Heads Convene Thursday

A Spartanburg district, Palmetto council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, negro divisional committee meeting will be held Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock at Dr. J. B. Walker's office on North Church street, it was announced at council headquarters this morning.

Greenwood, S. C. Index-Journal
May 14, 1941

NEGRO LEADER TO SCOUT MEET

Melrose Fuller At- tends Training School For Colored Troop Heads

Melrose Fuller, a teacher of first grade in Westside colored grammar school, and leader of Troop 11 for Negro girl scouts of this city, recently returned home after attending the second annual training institute for Negro girl scout leaders in Raleigh, N. C.

The local colored scout leader states she was impressed with the institute and especially with the work being done by troops in other towns. She heard a number of national girl scout leaders speak and conduct forums.

The training conference took place Friday and Saturday at St. Augustine's College in Raleigh and was sponsored by the Negro Leaders' Association and District Committee of the Raleigh Girl Scout Council.

Theme of the conference was to develop greater appreciation for and interest in opportunities offered through participation in the Girl Scout movement.

The local leader's attendance at the training institute was made possible by the following: Olivia Williams, M. R. Holloway, the Rev. M. G. Williams, Professor W. A. Armwood, Professor B. J. Sanders, Jr., Morris, Chapel Baptist Church of which the Rev. H. B. Mitchell is pastor; Teachers of East End School of which H. A. Peterson is principal; and teachers and students of West Side school of which Daisy Holman is principal.

Melrose Fuller is leader of a group of colored girl scouts who meet at Morris Chapel Baptist Church. Members of the troop include: Laura Boyd, assistant leader; Georgianna Blocker, Floride Chappels, Kathleen Easley, Mable Carrol Fuller, Rosemary Johnson, Almira Nicholson, Elizabeth Nicholson, Sara Richardson, Willie Mae Scott and Bessie Speaks.

Atlanta Ga Constitution
April 10, 1941

Atlanta Boys' Club Operates Negro Branch

Budget Raised by Subscription To Help Train Youth.

The Colored Boys Club, an outgrowth of the Colored Boys Club of the Law and Order League of America, was co-ordinated with the Atlanta Boys' Club, effective March 1, this year, and is rendering a distinctive service to the under-privileged Negro boys of Atlanta, according to announcement by Henry Heinz, president of the Atlanta Boys Club.

Located at 277 Auburn avenue, N. E., the Colored Boys' Club is now operating on a budget, raised by private subscriptions from white citizens, administered by W. W. Woolfold, executive director of the Atlanta Boys' Club. S. J. Thompson, founder of the original Colored Boys' Club of the Law and Order League, is superintendent of the club, with D. J. Thomas as physical director and John Wright as record clerk and games room instructor.

New equipment is being installed for the club and daily schedules of games and classes in vocational crafts under the direction of the staff, supervised by Woolfold, will provide training for the several hundred Negro boys who are now members of the club. The new setup for the Colored Boys Club as an extension of the Atlanta Boys' Club has the approval of the Boys' Club of America Judge W. H. Montgomery; field representative of the national organization, having inspected the co-ordinated plan.

An advisory board of Negro citizens, composed of S. W. Walker, president; N. D. Jones, vice president; M. M. Dowdell, secretary; C. D. Hubert, J. C. Bowden and W. H. Borders, represent their race in the work of the club. Additional Negro citizens will be elected to the advisory board in the near future. A committee composed of E. M. Hudson, R. J. Guinn, and Louie D. Newton represent the Atlanta Boys' Club in this extension branch of the white boys' club.

The purpose of the Boys' Club

of America is to develop good citizenship, and every boy joining the Colored Boys' Club is received upon application, and upon taking the pledge of kindness, fairness and honesty.

Negro Scout Group To Convene in City

A Spartanburg negro district committee meeting will be held Thursday night at the headquarters of Palmetto Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced today by Charles Lea council executive.

Prof. C. C. Woodson is chairman of the group.

Daily World
Atlanta, Georgia

Boy Scout Head

Arrives Today
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A. J. Taylor, assistant to the National Director of Inter-Racial Activities of the Boy Scouts of America will arrive in Atlanta today to assist in directing a three-day Camporal at Camp J. K. Orr. The Camporal will start Friday and close Sunday. Scouts from all over Georgia and South Carolina will be in attendance. Two hundred and thirty scouts and scouters have already registered for the three-day period.

Charlotte, N. C. News
May 16, 1941

Negro Boys Club To Be Formally Opened

Exercises Will Be Held Tomorrow Afternoon At Site of Civitan's Project

The club rooms and playground of the Negro Boys Club, sponsored by the Civitan Club, will be formally opened tomorrow with exercises starting at 5:30 P. M.

The Rev. J. A. Jones, pastor of the Myers Park Presbyterian Church and Dr. J. S. Nathaniel Tross, Negro religious leader, will be among the speakers who will appear on the program.

There will be two Negro bands and a choral group to furnish music for the ceremonies, which will be conducted on the club's playground, located on S. Caldwell Street between Fourth and Third Streets.

The clubrooms are located at 301 S. Caldwell Street, where recreational facilities have been provided by the Civitan Club.

DIRECTOR

Coleman Rippy has been employed by the Civitan Club as director of the boys' club activities and he will devote his full time to these duties. The program has been arranged for Negro youths between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years.

Dr. J. Lester Ranson is general chairman of the committee from the Civitan Club. City Councilman J. A. Baker is chairman of the grounds committee and Harry Hewson is in charge of the activities committees.

Negro boys and their parents are invited to attend the opening tomorrow afternoon. Refreshments will be served the boys at the

clubrooms after the dedication ceremonies.

Nashville, Tenn. Tennessean
June 8, 1941

Camp on Harpeth Greatly Improved For 1941 Activities

By JAMES WHARTON

When the bugle sounds "reveille" at 6:30 o'clock tomorrow morning at Camp Boxwell, near Kingston Springs, 75 or 80 Nashville Boy Scouts will spring from

their bunks, pull back the flaps of their tents and waste no time wanting to know, "What's on for breakfast?"

Except for half a dozen scouts who helped Scout Executive James Gribble get things in shape at the camp during the past week, the troop members all arrived last night. They were at once assigned to tents under the leadership of their respective scoutmasters.

3,000 TO CAMP

They're just the vanguard of several hundred Nashville scouts who will be at the camp during the eight to ten weeks' encampment period this summer, and just a small portion of the 3,000 or more Nashville boys and girls slated to begin summer camping sometime this month.

The Nashville Council, Boy Scouts of America, is only one of the six youth agencies here to open camping season in June; a seventh agency, the Y. W. C. A., will begin its encampment July 27.

The Girl Scout camp will open next Friday at Camp Woodhaven, on the Montgomery Bell Recreation Demonstration Area five miles beyond White Bluff on Highway 70. Miss Charlotte Andress is camp director.

Then, on next Sunday, the Catholic Diocese of Nashville will open its camp for boys at Camp Happy Hollow, Route No. 1, Joelton. The Rev. F. Ernest Wiley is camp director.

Camp Wenonah, at Linton, operated by the Negro branch of the Y. W. C. A. will open June 16 under the supervision of F. De Frantz, and on June 27 Camp Bethlehem Center, Marrowbone Creek, operated by the center, will open for Negro girls. Margaret Marshal is director.

Two days later, June 29, the Rebecca Olshine Camp, operated by the Y. W. H. A., will open near Greenbriar, on Highway No. 31-W, under the direction of Hirsh Haplan.

IMPROVEMENTS MADE

Improvements have been made at all the summer camps, but most

extensive are those at Camp Boxwell. Here have been completed a \$2,000 mess hall, completely screened and equipped with kitchen apparatus to take care of any number of hungry scouts.

There is a new wash house with showers, a new "health house" to take care of any scouts who get a tummy ache, and a new dock on the Harpeth River for all the scout craft that will be maneuvering during swim hours.

Although the scout's daily schedule will be about the same as in former years, they will live a different kind of life at Camp Boxwell this summer. Formerly, their tents were clustered around a small area at the bottom of the hill at the camp, but this year they'll sleep under canvas on an extensive area, each troop at a considerable distance from the other. In this way, they'll get the thrill of a more genuine camp life, and yet still remain under the direct supervision of their respective scoutmasters.

The old mess hall at the camp has been converted into a craft hall, where the scouts will fabricate "all manner of things" during certain periods not devoted to athletics, inspection, hikes and—not least nor last—mealtime.

The scouts will come to the camp by troops. Some will stay only a week, some two weeks and a few—who know a good thing when they see it—will stay the entire summer camping period.

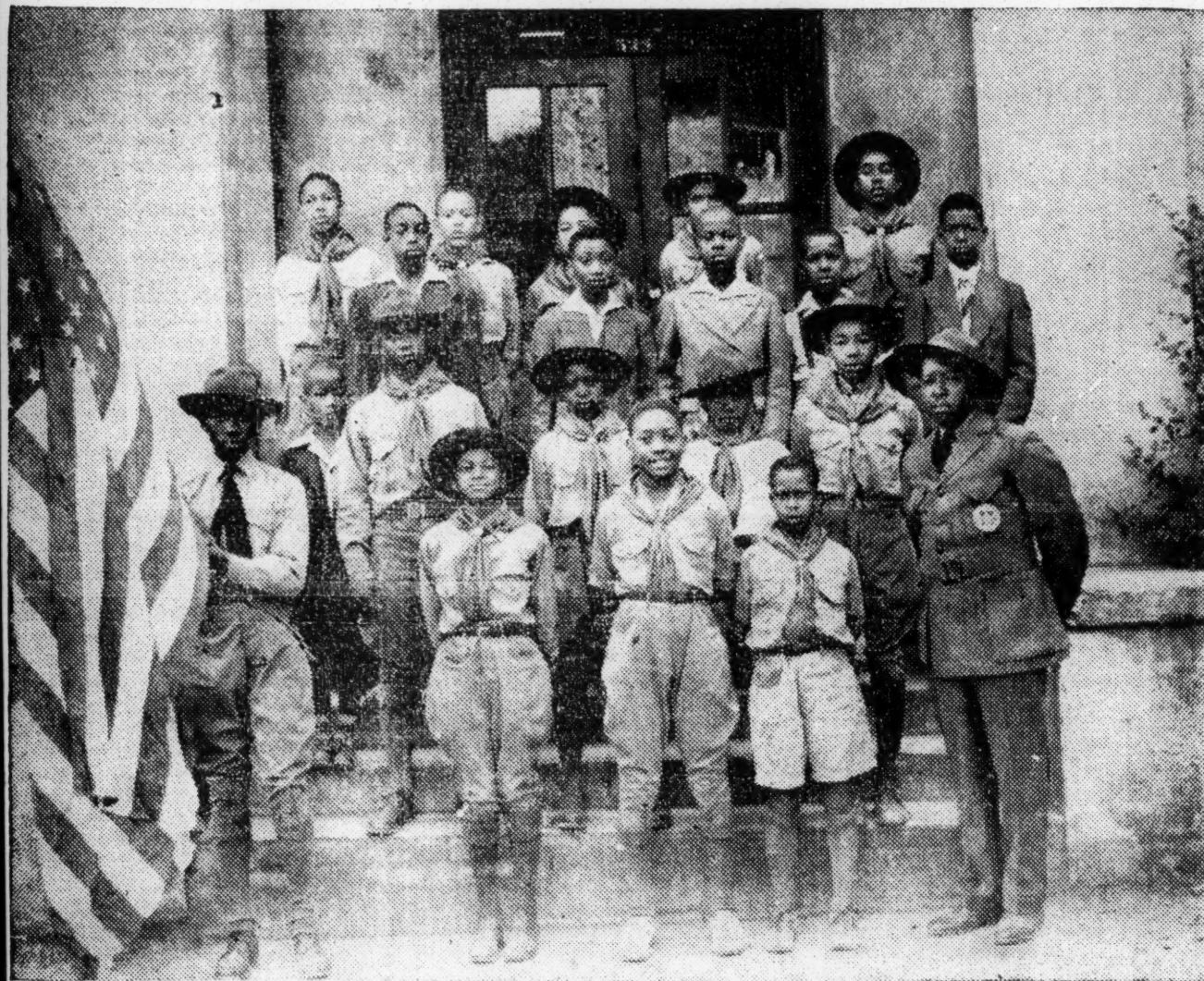
Girl scouts in the Nashville area inaugurated their annual "day camps" at the Girl Scout Little House in Old Hickory last week. Girl Scouts from Madison, Donelson, Old Hickory and nearby communities participated in a lively program of swimming, handicraft, boating, nature lore, singing and dramatics under the direction of Miss Helen DeMent, field advisor for the Girl Scout Council.

The Girl Scout encampment at Camp Woodhaven will consist of three two-week periods for girls between the ages of seven and 20.

Throughout the summer, girl scout troops will spend from two to seven days at the lodge in the Edwin Warner Park, following a regular camp program under the direction of their leaders.

Mrs. Currey L. Turner is general chairman of camping activities for the Girl Scout Council.

Gastonia Negro Scout Troop, First In Piedmont Council, 12 Years Old



TROOP 17, GASTONIA NEGRO BOY SCOUTS. ABOVE, HAS BIRTHDAY

Troop 17 Boy Scouts of America, the first troop of Negro Scouts organized in the Piedmont Council area, is this week celebrating its 12th birthday anniversary. It was organized under the sponsorship of Highland High School, Gastonia, May 29, 1929. Troop 17 has the added distinction of being in many respects the outstanding unit of the 25 Negro troops in the council area today. Much of the credit for its splendid accomplishments is due James Adams, its Scoutmaster.

The following boys were members of the troop: John O. Johnson, Moses A. Blair, Lloyd H. Jones, Edward Saunders, Benjamin Hope, Floyd Massey Jr., Walter Lee Adams, Earl Wagner, W. C. Caldwell, William Jamison, Max Wells, William Jones, John White, Marshall Cabiness, James Caldwell, Larry Miller, Marion Ross, W. J. Cou-sar, Andrew Tyson, George Goode, and John Marshall Currence.

FIRST LEADERS

Soon after organization of the troop keen interest developed and the following men took a 16-hour course in Scout training in order to be able to discharge their duties more effectively: Dr. G. S. Weaver, Dr. H. J. Erwin, Dr. A. G. Daly, Rev. F. J. Bailey (deceased), Prof. J. C. Ballard, Dr. C. W. Blair, E. W. Williams, W. M. Hardy, A. M. Hasson and J. A. Adams. Officers of this unit were Dr. G. S. Weaver, district chairman; Dr. H. J. Erwin, vice-chairman; Prof. J. C. Ballard, deputy commissioner; Dr. A. G. Daly, organization and training; and James A. Adams, Scoutmaster. The troop committee was composed of Dr. C. W. Blair, W. M. Hardy, A. M. Hasson, E. W. Williams, the late Rev. G. D. Moose and the late Rev. J. A. Rollins.

The first boys in this troop to pass the Tenderfoot test were Floyd Massey Jr., John Johnson, Moses Blair, Edward Saunders, Lloyd Jones, Ben Hope, William Jamison,

and Walter Lee Adams.

Troop 17 has the distinction of having had several "firsts" among Negro Scouts in the State. These were: First first-class Negro Scouts, Moses A. Blair, Edward Saunders, Floyd Massey Jr., and Lloyd H. Jones; first Negro Star Scout in State, Marshall Cabiness, first Negro Life Scout, David Porter; first Negro Eagle Scout, David Porter, who also holds the palm award.

Speaking of the troop's history and accomplishments, Scoutmaster James Adams said:

"Much interest in this troop has been shown by Scout Executive Schiele of the Piedmont Council; J. W. Atkins, chairman of the council's interracial committee; J. Mack Holland, former chairman of that committee; and the council in general.

"The boys felt keenly this interest and responded quickly; hence Troop 17 has been alive to its duty to God and its country and has been religiously carrying out the laws of

Scouting. Seldom if ever through the years has any member of this troop done anything of which he or the troop was ashamed.

"During the early life of this troop," the Scoutmaster continued, "a Scout quartet was organized. It was used quite extensively by white organizations. Members of this quartet composed several songs, among them a special song for the troop entitled 'We're the Boys of Seven-teen.' It is still being used as the troop's theme song.

"The thing most emphasized both during the early days of the troop and today is the putting into practice of the ideals and lessons taught in Scout work. Each contact makes for a keener realization of the truth that we are, in reality, our brother's keeper.

HELP UNFORTUNATES

"In consequence of this the troop finds especial pleasure in what is known as their good turn hike, in the carrying out of which they visit the sick and aged regardless of religious denomination, leaving practical gifts and good cheer. This practice was instituted early in the history of the troop and is carried out actively by the present troop. A special troop donation is made during the holidays in which children of the Orthopaedic Hospital and needy children generally are remembered by the troop.

"Troop 17 is always ready to serve the public whenever there is need for service; therefore we find it serving at funerals, gatherings, emergencies and at any time and place for which their training has fitted them.

"Advancements have been made quickly by the troop. There are many who deserve special mention for outstanding scholarship. Among the boys deserving special credit is Dave W. Porter who, on May 20, 1936, obtained the rank of Eagle Scout. He is believed to have been the first in the State to attain this rank. Former Principal Tillman of Highland High School said: 'Porter is one of the most valuable and most dependable boys and I attribute this very largely to the Scout training he has had under Scoutmaster James Adams.'

TRAINS LEADERS

"Troop 17 boasts boys, now men, in many outstanding walks of life and all speak tenderly of their love for the troop and for Scouting.

"The troop was represented in 1937 at the World Jamboree in Washington by a group composed of James A. Adams, David Porter and Charles Costner. Here the troop made a commendable record for itself. Their Scoutmaster acted as Scoutmaster for the North Carolina Negro troops.

"Today Troop 17 has 32 members, 10 of Tenderfoot rank, 12 Second Class, two First Class, two Star Scouts, six Life Scouts. The present troop committee is composed of W. L. Adams chairman, Charles W. Costner treasurer, Esley Rippy, James Biggers and William Costner.

D. W. Porter and Walter Lee Adams, former Troop 17 boys, now serve as Scoutmaster and committee chairman respectively.

GET CAMP SITE

During the early life of the troop no permanent camp was available therefore camping was done wherever the opportunity was afforded. Some summers the boys spent 10 or 12 days at Lake James, near Morganton, some summers a few days on a nearby farm, some summers a few days at Kings Mountain. In 1938, however, a camp site was secured near Lincoln Academy and was named Camp James. Here the troop spent many happy days outdoors. Now the troop is overjoyed with anticipation of the new camp site recently purchased by the Piedmont Council for the Negro Scouts. As a whole the troop re-pledges itself to loyalty to God, its country and its fellowmen."

Birmingham, Ala. News
May 29, 1941

Hoover Invites Three Residents To Luncheon

Three Birmingham residents prominently identified with Boys Club work Thursday had been invited by Former President Herbert Hoover, chairman of the National Board of Directors of Boys Clubs of America, to be his guests at a luncheon June 5 in New York City.

Invited were Col. Karl Landgrebe, of the Birmingham Boys Club, Inc.; L. S. Gaillard, Negro branch of the Birmingham Boys Club, and Mrs. E. H. Newsome, Ensley Community House. The future of the Boys Clubs as a national movement will be discussed by Mr. Hoover and his guests.

Chattanooga, Tenn. Daily Times
May 28, 1941

CAMP FUND CAMPAIGN OF NEGRO SCOUTS ENDS

Colored Boy Scouts of the Chattanooga area ended their campaign for their summer camp fund Friday night with a rally that netted them \$498.77.

Leaders receiving the honor of the Eagle, Bronze and Gold palms, for raising the highest amounts during the campaign were Ulysses W. Richardson, with a total of \$76.25; J. H. Jenkins, \$48.43, and Jennie M. Mondul, \$45.47.

The goal set by the committee was \$600 which would take care of boys whose parents are financially unable to provide the necessary fee for camp entry. Any contributions of finance or foodstuffs will be received by the committee at their headquarters 124½ East Ninth street.

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Daily World
Atlanta, Georgia

Essence of Democracy

FEB 3 1941

SCOUTING STRENGTHENS AND
INVIGORATES DEMOCRACY

BOY SCOUT WEEK

FEB 3 February 7-13

Boy Scouts throughout the country celebrate the 31st anniversary of the movement in America during the week of Feb. 7-13. While the slogan on the poster above emphasizes the fact that "Scouting strengthens and invigorates democracy," all America agrees that Scout membership is in itself the essence of democracy.

ARGUS

St. Louis, Missouri

Y.W. IN WORLD TASK
FOR RACIAL WELFAREEnglish World President Addresses Annual Dinner
of The Wheatley Branch YWCA At Pine St. 'Y'

By LORETTA OWENS

JAN 31 1941

The evening of Friday, January 24, proved to be a memorial one for the more than four hundred guests attending the annual banquet of the Phyllis Wheatley Y. W. C. A., where they heard an impressive, interesting and enlightening address delivered by Miss Ruth Rouse, president of the World's Y. W. C. A.

Every inch an Englishwoman, the guest speaker touched briefly upon YWCA's here and there, throughout the country, first complimenting Mrs. Anna Lee Scott and lauding the contribution which Phyllis Wheatley and other American YWCA's are making to these institutions throughout the world.

Tells of World-Wide Work.

Particularly interesting was the mention of the true spirit of Christian fellowship in London, where hundreds of injured residents of the once pretentious YMCA were "hospitalized" just across the street in the less beautiful YWCA, when the men's institution was entirely destroyed by bombshells. The girls at the Y became modern "Florence Nightingales" in the administration to their needs.

More keenly interested, however, seemed the listeners when Miss Rouse commented that we Americans feel that we have a particularly difficult time with our race problem, but in British Guiana, she related, there is a large collection of people of African origin doing the work on plantations; women—Portuguese, Chinese, Indians and other races, trying to learn to work together—create a most complicated interracial problem. . . . In Belgium the YWCA has to combat the question of religion, what with the existence of Buddhism, Confuciousism, Hinduism, Mohammedanism; some Catholics and the Christian religion.

And then, across the pond we went as Miss Rouse's word picture of Africa made the audience sit with rapt attention. The African people undergo trials that none of you have ever had to undergo. Suddenly many of them have been brought from a rise of 3000 years ago—a tribal life—right into the modern world. . . . The Christian Church and YWCA's have revolutionized the African people, and have helped them to find themselves. The West Africans have become far more advanced. The people have come away from their homeland and become nurses, have been students of Britain and have gone back to serve their people.

"Because the many women had no contact with the outside world, and because they finally did marry, the YWCA's established a "school for brides," where they received household training, cooking, Christian religion. Some Y's have established flower shops, bakeries, etc., which has developed these people into healthy, enlightened individuals.

"And then there are the institutions in Germany—yes, in war torn Germany—where an excellent work is still going on. At the headquarters they serve Japanese, French, Italians, Danish, Irish, Swiss, Chinese and even Indian refugees. In Hungary, Bulgaria, Turkey, Italy, Spain, France, United States, Canada and Mexico the spirit of fellowship still exists and the work of the YWCA goes on."

Other Service.

For a long time she told of the various organizations formed from the YWCA's, doing their part in the war—WIN (Women in the navy), WIAF (Women in Air Force) Voluntary Aids (first aid nurses). The girls in the army do office work, carry messages on bicycles, transporting planes and do all sorts of things, even when under bombardment.

All too soon ended this dis-

course of girl reserves in occupied France, 11,000 refugees and world YWCA's, as Miss Rouse closed her remarks with a reminder that a continuation of the work being done by Phyllis Wheatley and YWCA's all over the world, and a mobilization of the institution for real service, is essential. The speaker was introduced by Mrs. Howard Young.

Managers Elected.

As a forerunner to the address the minutes of the previous meeting were read by Miss Lucille Williams. Mrs. Anna Lee Scott, Executive Secretary, read the summary of activities. Music for the occasion was furnished by the "We" Chorus of Phyllis Wheatley.

The election of the committee of management was announced by Miss Myrtle McKinney as follows: Mrs. Annie Garner, Mrs. Nathella Bledsoe, Mrs. Robert Hayman Sr., Miss Myrtle McKinney and Mrs. Pattie C. Hall.

Mrs. Annie Garner presided.

Journal and Guide
Norfolk, Virginia

Significant Service

FEB 8 1941

THE annual meeting of the Phyllis Wheatley YWCA held recently brought to the minds of many the significant service rendered by the organization during its history.

The earliest workers in the organization were moved by the plight of girls and women traveling from the South enroute to northern cities where they hoped to find work. They arrived in Norfolk to wait for the New York steamer, and too often, they were met by disreputable people and became embroiled in the shady life of a strange city.

The dangers confronting these girls and women were brought to the attention of women leaders such as Mrs. Hattie Proctor, Mrs. Ida Bagnall, and Mrs. Laura E. Titus, who founded the first Negro independent Y. W. C. A. The first building was on Bank Street near Bute, and it served as a residence for working and transient girls. Working with them in the organization were, among others, Mrs. Marie Poole, Mrs. Fannie Collette, and Mrs. Annie Tucker Hitchins.

After more than 30 years, the Phyllis Wheatley Branch YWCA of

Norfolk is still devoted to the task of a fuller and more creative life

Tribune
Philadelphia, Pa.
Wissahickon
Founder Gets
Honor Award
JAN 23 1941

John T. Emlen, Prexy
Of Club For 38 Years,
Started Camp Emlen

A tribute was paid by the Germantown Boys Club last week to John T. Emlen, organizer of the Wissahickon Boys' Club, when they presented him with their outstanding-to-boys award for his fine work among Negro youths. Emlen organized the Wissahickon Club in 1903 and has been president of the organization for the past 38 years. This club was the first one of its kind for Negro boys in the United States.

The club, which was started by Emlen in a small building, is now one of the city's outstanding institutions, including the James Emlen Memorial Camp.

The camp, which was an outright gift by Mr. and Mrs. Emlen in memory of Mr. Emlen's father, in the last 18 years has served approximately 12,000 boys from Germantown and in all congested areas of Philadelphia.

For years Emlen has given his time and finances to the Boys' Club movement and has proven to the rest of the United States that a colored boys club is both practical and worthwhile in combating juvenile delinquency.

In honor of his services to colored boys, longer than any other man in the United States, he was presented with a 35-year-service medal by the Boys' Club of America, national organization of boys' clubs, in May, 1930.

Emlen taught at Hampton Institute as a volunteer teacher and also organized the Armstrong Association, formed to give industrial opportunities to Negroes of Philadelphia.

He was also superintendent of the Quaker Sunday school, conducted for colored children at the Germantown Boys' Club for a number of years.

Mr. Emlen graduated from Haverford College in 1900 and the University of Pennsylvania in 1904. He is the chairman of the board of directors of the Interagency Council for Youth and has served for years on the management board of many charitable and social organizations, including White-Williams Foundations, Richard Humphries Foundation, Emlen Institution, Public Education Association, Armstrong Association, trustee of the Community Fund, member of the board of directors of the Germantown Saving Society and a member of the Society of Friends.

—A Colored Judge—

Late Dr. Weatherby Awarded
Scout Award In Greensboro
FEB 1 1941 *Journal + Guide*

GREENSBORO, N. C.—At the 23rd annual meeting of the Greensboro area council of Boy Scouts of America, which was held January 23, the silver beaver, awarded annually in recognition of the greatest service to scouting in the past year went posthumously to Dr. R. T. Weatherby, prominent minister. It was received by his widow from Mayor Huger S. King.

The meeting was held in the ballroom of the King Cotton hotel and was the first time that Negroes had been invited to attend.

In presenting the award to Mrs. Weatherby, Mayor King said, "He was loved and respected by the entire community; a man who held the highest ideals and was intensely interested in boys as such, believing that promotion of welfare of boyhood was one of the cornerstones of the community."

Abit Nix, attorney of Athens, Ga., delivered the principal address. The invocation was sung by a sextet from troop 41 of the colored scouts.

ARGUS
St. Louis, Missouri
Sessions At
Church This
Friday, Sat.
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Addresses and Seminars to Be Held for Over 250 Delegates

Over 250 delegates, representing the Older Boys' Conference Hi-Y Clubs, Sunday Schools, Young peoples societies, high school clubs and Stowe College Club, will be in attendance at the Youth Conference of the National Christian Mission, to be held at Pilgrim Congregational Church, 826 North Union Boulevard, Friday and Saturday nights, February 14 and 15. Among the outstanding speakers that will appear on this program will be Dr. E. Stanley Jones of India, Miss Muriel Lester of London, England and Dr. Theodore F. Adams of Richmond, Virginia.

Three important topics will be discussed by the delegates in Seminars: A. Personal Religious Living. B. Helping Other Young People to Be Christians. C. Social Relations. The last will be in three parts — Race, Economics, and Peace. Among the Seminars leaders will be Dr. Harry S. Blackiston and Mr. Creamus M. Evans, members of the Stowe College Faculty; Arnold Walker, Industrial Secretary, Urban League. Therion Cobbs, President of the Sumner Hi-Y Club and Secretary of the City-County Hi-Y Council, will preside at the Saturday morning session.

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To Have Sessions

Sessions of the Conference are scheduled for Friday, February 14, at 7:45 p.m. Saturday, February 15, 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. Members of the Conference Committee are: Ozie Flagg of the Older Boys' Conference; Philip Stancil and Edward Crute of the Pine Street Boys' Department Staff. Appearing on the Conference Programs will be three great high school choirs—the Vashon Choir, under the direction of C. Spencer Tocus; the Sumner A Capella Choir, under the direction of Wirt D. Walton; and the Normandy High School Mixed Chorus, directed by Hadley Crawford. The Conference Luncheon will be served at noon Saturday at the Union Avenue Christian Church and the Pilgrim Congregational Church. Representatives of all youth organizations are invited.

Wilmington, N. C. News
February 16, 1941
Negro Recreation Hut
Need Urged By Club

The Young Men's Civic club, a negro organization, discussed at a recent meeting the need for a hut or recreation center for negro soldiers to be stationed at Camp Davis.

It is reported that letters were addressed by the club to the city and the county commissions presenting the need, and that a committee from the club has waited upon both commissions.

Knoxville, Tenn. News Sentinel
January 19, 1941

PLANS FOR HI-Y MEET
Carlton L. Lee, Southern Era Hi-Y secretary for seven states, is here arranging for the East Tennessee District meeting here March 28-30 which 150 Negro high school students will attend.

Durham, N. C. Morning Herald
February 9, 1941

Negro Boy Scouts
To Attend Service

Will Hear Sermon This Morning At St. Mark Church—Busy Week Ahead

Negro Boy Scouts of Durham have planned an elaborate program for this week in observance of Nation Boy Scout Anniversary Week. The Scouts will attend services at the St. Mark A. M. E. Zion Church, corner of Pine and Pickett Streets, this morning at 11 o'clock. The pastor, the Rev. S. P. Perry, will deliver the sermon.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon all Scouts interested will go to Fort Bragg with F. C. Pendarvis, chairman of the court of honor, in charge of the group. The Scouts will attend a theatre party at the Regal Theatre Monday night at 7 o'clock.

The Scouts will review the window display at the John Avery Boys' Club Tuesday night while Wednesday night the annual father and son banquet will be staged at the John Avery Club. Troops Nos 55 and 53, in charge of John H. B. Mayes and George I. Wood, are in charge of the daily flag-raising exercises.

Charlotte, N. C. Observer
June 7, 1941
NEGRO SCOUT COUNCIL
TO MEET MONDAY NIGHT

A meeting of the newly formed Negro Boy Scout council and advisory committee will be held Monday night, June 16, to perfect the organization, it was announced yesterday. Members of this group are as follows: Rev. W. C. Hart, general chairman; F. D. Alexander, chairman of troop organization and extension; Rev. H. W. Givens and L. G. Green, co-chairmen of the training committee; Paul Richardson, finance; I. J. Jackson, advancement; Julian Stinson, camping; Dr. S. C. Pyle, health and safety; and C. F. Atkins, Cubbing.

Dyersburg, Tenn. Gazette
January 9, 1941

New Scout Troops
Include Two Negro
Ones In Dyersburg

Three new Troops and one re-registered Troop have sent in their registration papers to the West Tennessee Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

The new Troop which has been organized is located at Michie, Tennessee, and is sponsored by the Michie High School with T. Erl Hillard serving as Scoutmaster. Ernest Grey, Lyde Gooch and Troy Hursey form the Troop Committee. Nine boys were enrolled.

Troop No. 39, of Dyersburg, Tennessee, was the second Troop to be registered and it is also the second Negro Troop to be organized in the Council. George C. Newbern is serving as Scoutmaster with M. L. Morrison, Jr., Jeff Northcross, John H. Bishop, and Will Crisp serving as Troop Committeemen. This Troop is sponsored by the Womack Temple C. M. E. Church of Dyersburg. There were nine boys registered.

Troop No. 90, of Dyersburg, Tennessee, sponsored by the Salters' Chapel, A. M. E. Church is the third Troop to be registered. This Troop also marks the third negro Troop in the Council. H. H. Hudson Sr., was selected to serve as Scoutmaster with C. H. Cox serving as his assistant. The Troop Committee is as follows: A. R. Gillette, Chairman, F. L. Allen, D. Jefferson, W. O. Bryant Ision Harden. Eight boys were registered with this Troop.

The reregistration papers for Troop No. 37 of Martin Tennessee were received this morning. Harold Hoffman has been re-elected to serve as Scoutmaster and the following men re-elected to form the Troop Committee: S. R. Woods, Chairman, J. M. Martin, and H. N. Moore. Eleven boys were registered and there were five new ones making a total of sixteen. This Troop is sponsored by the Methodist Church.

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Spartanburg S. C. Herald
March 29, 1941

FIRST COURT OF HONOR FOR NEGRO BOY SCOUTS HELD

24 Advancements to Rank of Second Class Scout Are Announced

Twenty-four advancements to second class were made Thursday night at Carver high school when the first negro Court of Honor in the Spartanburg district of Palmetto council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, was held.

Immediately after the court officers for the negro-divisional committee of the district were elected for the coming year.

The following men compose the committee: C. C. Woodson, chairman; E. F. Rivers, assistant chairman; William Samuel, commissioner; the Rev. H. B. Jackson, finance; M. K. Muckelduff, advancement; J. S. Woodward, organization extension; G. W. Bolden, camping; Dr. J. C. Bull, health and safety; and William Rivers, leader training.

Advancements were awarded to the following boys:

Troop 80—Robert Craig, Harold Glymph, Albert Brown, Bennie Shelton, John Willie Knuckles, Earnest Keith, Ira Lee Todd, Frank Jackson, Bennie Owens, Leonard Foster, Larry McGown, Willie Frank Fowler, Henry Edington, Jerry Salters and Leonard Patton. William Knuckles is scoutmaster of this troop.

Troop 83—Curtis Woody, Wilbur Goss, Clarence Lowry, Waddell Pearson, William Robinson, James Bryan, Odel Ferguson, Matthew Bonds and Coleman Thacker. Roosevelt Moore is scoutmaster of this troop.

Plans were discussed to enable negro scouts and leaders to attend the regional camporee at the negro Boy Scout camp in Atlanta, Ga., April 25-27.

Prof. Woodson presided at the court, which was attended by Charles Lea, executive of Palmetto council.

Newnan, Georgia—Times
April 3, 1941

Colored Scouts Complete Recent Training Course

The Colored Scouters of Coweta County completed an Introductory Course, Element Part I which was given at the Savannah Street High School on Sunday, March 23rd, from 2:00 to 7:00.

Troop No. 59, of Newnan, opened the course with a flag ceremony and words of address were extended by Dr. W. D. Brown, Finance Chairman of Negro Division. Other instructors helping in administering the course were Messrs. Joe Parks, Commissioner, James Mann, Chairman Training Committee, Newnan, H. W. Joyner, Vocational Teacher, Moreland, R. H. Robinson, Principal Moreland High School, J. A. Lewis, Vocational Instructor, Grantville, W. H. Dennis, Training Chairman Negro Division, McDonough, Ga., and Tom Glover Chairman Advancement Newnan District.

The Boy Scouts' Mothers Club prepared and served the men taking the course a very wholesome, hot lunch at 5:00, at mid-time during the course.

At the close of the course, thirty men were awarded certificates in Introductory Scouting, Elements Part I by the Flint River Council. Mr. Tom Glover presented the certificates.

The following organizations were carried out:

1. Area Organization for Newnan District:

(1) Finance—Dr. W. D. Brown.
(2) Advancement—Mr. J. A. Lewis, Grantville.

(3) Health and Safety—Dr. M. McWhorter.

(4) Organization and Extension—Mr. R. H. Robinson, of Moreland.

(5) Camping—Mr. H. W. Joyner, of Moreland.

(6) Training—Mr. Grady North of Senoia.

Jasper, Ala., Advertiser
April 2, 1941

Negro Scouts To Hold Camporee

Camp O'Rear will be the scene of the first Walker county negro Camporee in the history of the Black Warrior Council. The camporee will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 4, 5.

Scouts from throughout the county will assemble at this time and under the leadership of the following Scoutmasters carry on a program of activities that will go far toward making these troops much stronger. Hiking, camping, campfires, cooking, and contests will be the order of the day with each troop competing against the others.

The camporee is under the supervision of Al Blanton, chairman of Camping and Activities Committee for the Jasper District, and will be directed by Layton Davis, Scout Commissioner for Walker County.

Ribbons for the best patrols will be awarded at the conclusion of camporee. Any interested citizens are urged to come out and visit the camp during this week end.

The following communities and scoutmasters are invited to take part in camporee: Empire, J. F. Prewitt; Sipsey, R. W. Taylor; Dorra, Sterling Scott, Professors Collins and Johnson; Flat Creek, Andrew Howell; Wegra, Sam Hawthorne; Praco, Lawyer Douglass; Jasper, Clarence White; Coke Oven Hill, Jasper, J. H. Cooley; Coal Valley, A. J. Dickerson; Parrish, W. C. Thomas; America, Vincent Lee Johnson.

Scoutmasters are urged to inform Alex Hogan, assistant scout executive, Jasper, whether or not to expect them at camporee.

Spartanburg S. C. Herald
March 28, 1941

First Court of Honor for Negro Boy Scouts Held

24 Advancements Are Awarded at Carver School Exercises

Twenty-four advancements to second class were made last night at Carver high school when the first negro Court of Honor in the Spartanburg district of Palmetto council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, was held.

Immediately after the court officers for the negro-divisional committee of the district were elected for the coming year.

The following men compose the committee: C. C. Woodson, chairman; E. F. Rivers, assistant chairman; William Samuel, commissioner; the Rev. H. B. Jackson, finance; M. K. Muckelduff, advancement; J. S. Woodward, organization extension; G. W. Bolden, camping; Dr. J. C. Bull, health and safety; and William Rivers, leader training.

Advancements were awarded to the following boys:

Troop 80—Robert Craig, Harold Glymph, Albert Brown, Bennie Shelton, John Willie Knuckles, Earnest Keith, Ira Lee Todd, Frank Jackson, Bennie Owens, Leonard Foster, Larry McGown, Willie Frank Fowler, Henry Edington, Jerry Salters and Leonard Patton. William Knuckles is scoutmaster of this troop.

Troop 83—Curtis Woody, Wilbur Goss, Clarence Lowry, Waddell Pearson, William Robinson, James Bryan, Odel Ferguson, Matthew Bonds and Coleman Thacker. Roosevelt Moore is scoutmaster of this troop.

Plans were discussed to enable negro scouts and leaders to attend the regional camporee at the negro Boy Scout camp in Atlanta, Ga., April 25-27.

Prof. Woodson presided at the court, which was attended by Charles Lea, executive of Palmetto council.

Knoxville Tenn. Journal
March 30, 1941

Negro Hi-Y Meeting To End At Noon Today

The East Tennessee Hi-Y Conference will adjourn at noon today after a discussion of "Gearing into Life" by Dr. John A. Cotton, president of Knoxville College, at East Vine Avenue Presbyterian Church.

About 100 delegates registered Friday at Austin High School from Negro high schools from Chattanooga to Bristol. Friday night the president of the conference, Bob Montgomery, of Athens, spoke.

Yesterday group discussions made up the program.

Newnan, Ga., Herald
April 3, 1941

Colored Scouters Complete Course In Scout Work

Thirty colored Scouters of Coweta county recently completed a course in elementary Scouting and organized the Newnan district for future work, according to W. D. King, Savannah Street High principal.

Newnan officials serving as instructors included J. W. Parks, James Mann, and Tom Glover and negro aids were H. W. Joyner, R. H. Robinson, J. A. Lewis, W. H. Dennis, and W. D. Brown.

Officers named included: Finance, Dr. W. D. Brown; Advancement, J. A. Lewis; Health Safety, Dr. McWhorter; Organization and Extension, R. H. Robinson; Camping, H. W. Joyner; Training, Grady North, Lewis, L. R. Rozier, and James Dallas will serve on the Court of Honor.

Appreciation was expressed to all those who recently contributed to the Scout fund.

Constitution
Atlanta, Georgia
Atlanta Boys' Club Operates Negro Branch

APR 10 1941
Budget Raised by Subscription To Help Train Youth.

The Colored Boys Club, an outgrowth of the Colored Boys Club of the Law and Order League of America, was co-ordinated with the Atlanta Boys' Club, effective March 1, this year, and is rendering a distinctive service to the under-privileged Negro boys of Atlanta, according to announcement by Henry Heinz, president of the Atlanta Boys Club.

Located at 277 Auburn avenue, N. E., the Colored Boys' Club is now operating on a budget, raised by private subscriptions from white citizens, administered by W. W. Woolfold, executive director of the Atlanta Boys' Club. S. J. Thompson, founder of the original Colored Boys' Club of the Law and Order League, is superintendent of the club, with D. J. Thomas as physical director and John Wright as record clerk and games room instructor.

New equipment is being installed for the club and daily schedules of games and classes in vocational crafts under the direction of the staff, supervised by Woolfold, will provide training for the several hundred Negro boys who are now members of the club. The new setup for the Colored Boys' Club as an extension of the Atlanta Boys' Club has the approval of the Boys' Club of America. Judge W. H. Montgomery, field representative of the national organization, having inspected the co-ordinated plan.

An advisory board of Negro citizens, composed of S. W. Walker, president; N. D. Jones, vice president; M. M. Dowdell, secretary; C. D. Hubert, J. C. Bowden, and W. H. Borders, represent their race in the work of the club. Additional Negro citizens will be elected to the advisory board in the near future. A committee composed of E. M. Hudson, R. J. Guinn, and Louie D. Newton represent the Atlanta Boys' Club in this extension branch of the white boys' club.

APR 10 1941
The purpose of the Boys' Club of America is to develop good citizenship, and every boy joining the Colored Boys' Club is received upon application, and upon taking the pledge of kindness, fairness and honesty.

Elizabethton, Tenn., Free Press
April 9, 1941
NATIONAL SCOUT DIRECTOR VISITS SEQUOYAH COUNCIL

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of the Boy Scouts of America, is visiting the Sequoyah Council for a period of three days in the interest of inter-racial Scouting over the entire area.

Scouters from the eight negro troops of the council met in Johnson City last night for an area-wide meeting with Mr. Harris. An interesting program has been arranged including a motion picture on Scouting.

Negro leaders of the Sequoyah Council have been invited by the Bristol training committee to attend a training course in the Elements of Scout Leadership, Part One, which is no win progress. The final session of this course is to be given tonight.

Troop 24, Elizabethton's negro troop, sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association at Douglas school is making excellent progress under the leadership of Scoutmaster S. F. Dobbins.

Atlanta, Ga. Journal
April 6, 1941

Colored Boys' Club Is Organized Here

The Colored Boys' Club—an extension of the Atlanta Boys' Club, has been organized at 277 Auburn Avenue, N. W., under the supervision of W. W. Woolfolk, with S. J. Thompson as superintendent and D. J. Thomas as physical director.

An advisory board, composed of prominent Negro citizens works with the extension committee of the board of directors of the Atlanta Boys' Club, and the budget is being raised by private subscriptions, Mr. Woolfolk announced.

Feature of the new club is its boys' chorus, already heard on numerous radio programs and civic functions. Purpose of the organization is to develop good citizenship.



STANLEY A. HARRIS
National Director of Inter-Racial Activities, Boy Scouts of America
Spartanburg, S. C. Journal
June 25, 1941

Negro Scouts to Hold Honor Court Tomorrow Night

The Spartanburg district negro division, Palmetto council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America, will hold its June Court of Honor tomorrow night at the Silver Hill Methodist Episcopal church at 8 o'clock, it was announced today at council headquarters.

A number of advancements in rank and merit awards are to be made.

A committee meeting will also be held.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times
June 20, 1941

COLORED SCOUTS PLAN 3-WEEK CAMP PROGRAM

Colored Boy Scouts have scheduled a three-week program to begin Aug. 4, which will end in an educational trip to Nashville, where they will pitch camp for a week and visit points of interest in and around the capital

Elizabethton, Tenn., Free Press
April 10, 1941
Stanley Harris Speaks to Negro Scout Leaders

Forty-five negro Scoutmasters and committeemen from all over Sequoyah Council gathered in Johnson City for an area-wide meeting with Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities, Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Harris talked to the group about the patrol system in the Scout troop and the "play way" of teaching advancement. He also outlined the duties and responsibilities of troop committeemen, stressing the responsibility that they have to see that each Scout has a camping experience during the summer.

The group was welcomed to Johnson City by S. D. Jackson, district chairman for the Johnson City district. Other talks of the evening were on the troop budget plan, advancement in troops and summer camp for negroes.

Attending the meeting from Elizabethton were R. E. Little, district inter-racial chairman; S. F. Dobbins, Scoutmaster of Troop 24; and four members of the troop committee of Troop 24.

The first two weeks will be their annual encampment, with special cub outings on Aug. 11, 19 and 20, according to Prof. J. L. Jenkins, scout commissioner, who is in Nashville attending summer school at Tennessee A. and I. State college. Prof. Jenkins announced that all arrangements for the Nashville trip have been made, and arrangements for the two-week camp are in the hands of a committee headed by Joseph L. Morrow.

McDonough, Ga., Advertiser
June 20, 1941

SCOUT COUNCIL APPOINTS COLORED FIELD WORKER

The Flint River Council, Boy Scouts of America, has employed W. D. King, colored, as Field Executive to promote the organization of Colored Boy Scout Troops. Until recently King was a teacher in the Newnan High School.

The Council now has 250 colored Scouts in 13 active Troops. The number of colored Scouts has been increasing for the past year and now with the employ-

Chattanooga, Tenn., Free Press
April 7, 1941
Harold Taylor Wins Negro Scout Award

Harold Taylor, of Troop 97 was presented the annual William V. Ochs award at the annual Negro Scout sermon and celebration, which was held Sunday at Orchard Knob Baptist Church.

Virgil Clark, also of Troop 97, was given an Eagle Scout badge, and miniature badges were presented his mother and Mrs. Will Jenkins, mother of an Eagle Scout, who was given a badge previously. Merit badges were given Jenkins and Clark by the troop.

Scoutmaster H. D. Heath, of Troop 81, was honored as the most popular Scoutmaster, for having raised the largest amount of money in the annual camp drive. Scoutmaster J. H. Jenkins had won this honor for the two previous years.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. H. J. Johnson. Eleven troops, a uniformed cub pack, adult leaders, mothers' clubs, miniature floats and decorated cars participated in the parade. South Pittsburg Troop 124 was given special recognition for a full attendance, in charge of Scouts Winifred Heighy and Joel Davis in the absence of the Scoutmaster, Dr. W. J. Astrapp.

William Cross, Scoutmaster of Troop 95, now attending Morehouse College in Atlanta, was a special guest. A former Eagle Scout, he serves as life guard and instructor at the camp each year and will be back this year. He is president of his class at Morehouse and holds many extra-curricular responsibilities.

ment of a field worker the Council expects to have increased gains in colored Scouting. King will visit regularly all the counties under the Flint River Council.

Afro-American
Baltimore, Maryland

For Noteworthy Service



Leroy Coles, Sr., Baltimore Boy Scout district commissioner, is given the Silver Beaver, highest award for scouts who have performed "noteworthy service of exceptional character to boyhood" in their communities. Stanley A. Harris, white, director of interracial relations for the National Council made the award during the fifth annual dinner held here on Thursday evening. This is the first time any scout, colored or white, has received this honor in the Baltimore Area Council.

Coles Awarded Highest Boy Scout Honor

BALTIMORE Leroy A. Coles, Sr., Boy Scout district commissioner and active in scout activities in the city for the past twelve years, received the coveted Silver Beaver award, of

the highest honor given by the National Scout Council for local scout service, during the fifth annual Boy Scout dinner held at the Druid Hill Avenue YMCA on Thursday evening.

W. Perry Bradley, white, Baltimore Area Council executive, explained that the occasion marked the first time the award had gone to any scout in his council.

Service Outstanding

Given for "noteworthy service of exceptional character to boy-

hood," the award was inaugurated in 1931 to honor persons in the organization who had performed unusual service in their communities. It stands second only to the Silver Buffalo award which is given by the national council for scout work of national scope.

Mr. Coles began his scout work in September, 1928, when he became assistant scoutmaster of Troop 275, the first colored troop to be organized in the city.

The following year, he was made scoutmaster and in 1939 moved up to neighborhood commissioner. In 1940, he became district commissioner, the job he holds now.

He has been employed as a letter carrier by the Baltimore Post Office for the past fifteen years and is active in the Holy Name Society of St. Barnabas Catholic Church.

Can't Try for Award

Stanley A. Harris, white, of New York, national director of the Interracial Relations of Boy Scouts, who made the presentation, told the group of 152 persons present, that the award was "one you can't get by trying for it."

Mr. Harris delivered the main address during the dinner and told the group of scouts, scouters, scout committees, den mothers, sponsors and friends that:

"I'm convinced that unless the character of citizens can be strengthened, democracy is likely to perish in America."

Johnson Praised

Andrew R. Johnson, field scout executive, was praised by both Mr. Bradley and Mr. Harris for his creditable work in increasing scouting activities among colored boys.

During the program, Mr. Johnson reviewed the activities of the Monumental and Chesapeake Districts for the past year and pledged himself, with the help of his associates, to do even greater work during the coming

year.

Others on Program

Others on the program included Dr. Miles Connor, toastmaster; Grafton L. Moore, who made the welcome remarks; Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, wife of Mr. Johnson and den mother of Pack 279, who played a piano solo;

Eagle Scout William Jones of Troop 280, who sang a solo, and the Coppin Teachers' College Quartet, under the direction of Miss A. Dukye Woode, which sang several numbers.

Other awards were made by the Rev. A. J. Payne, chairman of the Monumental District Committee; Frank R. Butler, chairman of the Chesapeake District Committee, and Eugene Prettyman, neighborhood commissioner, as follows:

Others Win Awards

To Troop 293, William Bends, scoutmaster, gold trophy which must be won three times in succession to be kept permanently, for the greatest increase in membership as a result of the inter-troop contest;

To Troops 278, 208 and 288, and Elmer Henderson, Avon Wright, Mr. Prettyman, Ernest Purdy and Mrs. Maybelle Purdy, atom awards for organizing new units during the year 1940;

To William I. Gosnell of Troop 276, and James E. Johnson of Troop 287, ten-year service certificates and to Mr. Johnson, fifteen year service pin and certificate.

Special Guests

Special guests at the dinner who represented the various classes of scouting were:

The den mother, Mrs. Purdy; Ira Wilkins, cub scout; Paul Edmonds, scouter, and Charles Baker, sea scout.

Earlier in the day, Mr. Johnson was host to the guest speaker, Mr. Harris, and members of his district committee and other sponsors at a luncheon at the York Hotel.

At Luncheon

During this meeting, Mr. Harris told of his work in organizing colored troops in all parts of the country and praised the unusual progress made by colored

scouts in Baltimore under the leadership of Mr. Johnson, who, he said, should be "paid more—what he's worth."

Present at this luncheon were:

The Rev. Harvey E. Walden, the Rev. A. J. Payne, the Rev. A. J. Mitchell, Dr. Francis M. Wood, Frank Butler, Edward S. Lewis, George C. Grant, Douglass E. Roberts and Mrs. Bettye M. Phillips.

COLORED Y.M.C.A. PLANS BIG PROGRAM

Great was the enthusiasm of Negro citizens attending a public mass meeting at the Colored Y. M. C. A. Monday night. The meeting was called by the management of the Colored "Y" in interest of the organization, to hear expressions in regard to future activities of the work among local colored citizens.

The meeting was an open forum, and following spirited song devotions, the object of the meeting unstated by W. S. Harris, executive secretary. Among those making talks were, W. S. Hornsby, Dr. T. W. Josey, W. H. Wilborn, Dr. A. E. Maxwell, L. D. Perry, John Gatlin, W. S. Hornsby Jr., S. B. Thomas, Julian Collins, Ollie Jones and C. C. Greene.

After paying tribute to the founders of the Young Men's Christian Association here, and the few men who have stuck together through the years to hold the property in tact and the organization together, they were enthusiastic in giving their views on the Y. M. C. A. being a great asset to any community for the development of men, young men and boys. The meeting, one of the largest held at the "Y" in some years, went on record to cooperate with the administration in reviving, and increasing the work of the Association.

As a result, a committee, composed of W. S. Hornsby, A. M. Carter, Rev. M. J. Whittaker, L. D. Perry, and the secretary, was appointed to work out a comprehensive program of activities.

Upon popular request it was decided that, beginning on the first Sunday afternoon in March, public inspirational exercises will be held each Sunday at 5:30 o'clock, with leading characters to speak to the men. Eleven new members joined the Y. M. C. A. before the meeting closed.

At the same time, Raymond B. Harper was installed president by A. M. Carter, local insurance executive. Harper was elected president at the annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. last month, succeeding the late Prof. P. H. Craig.

Among Scouts

FEB 25 1941

The February Court of Honor for District No. 10 will be held tonight at 7:30 in the Washington High School Cafeteria.

Scouts who were present at the last Court will recall the recommendation of Dr. R. H. Carter, chairman of the Court of Honor, to the effect that Scouts who allow their names to appear on the "Docket" three consecutive times without being present should have their names struck from the "Docket", and that these Scouts be required to pass their tests again. That recommendation was accepted by the executive committee and becomes effective as of this date.

SPECIAL AWARDS

The feature of this Court will be the presentation of three special awards to three of our best loved workers. The Scoutmasters Key, an ultimate award in the Five-year Training Program for Scouters, will be presented to Mr. S. L. Davis, Scoutmaster of Troop 89 at Washington High School, and C. M. Ashmore, Scoutmaster of Troop 182 at West Mitchell CME church. The Scouter's Training Award, an award given for similar service will be presented to Mr. C. N. Cornell, assistant principal of Booker T. Washington High school and chairman of the Organization Extension Committee for the District.

The general public is invited to attend the Court of Honor, and especially do we extend the invitation to the friends of these three "Outstanding and Loyal Scouters."

Star of Zion
Charlotte, N. C.

AIDE SELECTED BY
DR. CARVER

FEB 27 1941

Aged Negro Scientist At
Tuskegee, Ala., Now Assured
His Work Will Continue

By PAUL DUNCAN

TUSKEGEE, Ala., Feb. 15—A

young chemist who has developed uses for humble southern products will continue the "practical chemistry" of Dr. George Washington Carver when the aged Negro scientist is persuaded to lay his work aside.

Austin W. Curtis, assistant to Dr. Carver at Tuskegee Institute since 1935, already has assumed many of

the laboratory duties Carver has been forced to abandon because of failing health.

In his own right, he has contributed to the research in which Dr. Carver pioneered nearly a half century ago, seeking practical uses for waste materials or heretofore unused native products such as cotton and okra stalks, corn shucks, sweet potatoes, peanuts, and clays. Carver calls the 29-year-old Cornell graduate "the first person I've found who has the vision and inspiration to carry on my work."

Curtis already had begun research into uses for waste materials while an instructor at North Carolina A. & T. College. He corresponded with Dr. Carver about his experiments, later came to Tuskegee to talk with Carver and so impressed the elder man that the post of assistant was created for him.

Independently of Carver's research, Curtis has developed soap, face lotion, perfume, and water colors from the seed of the magnolia blossom.

From clays and used motor oil he made a weather-proof paint now used among Negro farm families in Alabama.

Dr. Carver, whose paintings have attracted international attention, has done many water-colors in "Curtis brown," a color his young assistant developed from magnolia blossom seeds.

Largely through Curtis' efforts, the George Washington Carver Foundation, to which the scientist gave his life's savings of \$33,000, was established in 1937.

"Much of Dr. Carver's developments are not being put to wide use or have not been commercialized because we have lacked funds to determine the commercial feasibility of his laboratory finding," Curtis said.

"Our work in the new laboratory, through the aid of the foundation, will be to test thoroughly and from a commercial standpoint, the possible uses of his findings."

Through the years Carver has made little attempt to commercialize his discoveries. He has supplied for the asking a cure for pecan blight, livestock feed formulas, and other findings which required months of intensive experiments, using only materials available to the average war. My first thought was of Mordecai. When he perceived all that was done Mordecai rent his clothes and put on sackcloth with ashes and went out into the midst of the city and cried with a low and bitter cry. Then Esther bade this answer: "Go gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day. I also and my maidens will fast likewise, and so will I go in unto the king."

If the president would call every minister of the gospel to the White House in prayer for three days, he would find the way to keep America out of war, and to bring about peace. That's what happened to the enemy of the Jew that he had prepared for Mordecai. They hung Haman. Was that all? Every city must gather themselves together and to stand for their life to destroy, to slag and to ban the perish, all the power of the people and promise that would assault them. The same God lives today. Cruelties must be stopped. Human blood must flow before the Christian powers will be sufficiently stimulated to dethrone the murderer and restore peace and order to the world. "Come and see the work of God," said one of old. His eye behold the nations; let not the rebel lions exalt themselves.

Make haste, Man knows not as God knows, sees not as God sees. I the most critical days of the American history in that grand old hall in Philadelphia, Benjamin Franklin rose to his feet and said, "Gentlemen: we will open the Congress in prayer." Looking back from that wonderful century, Franklin found himself bound by the fear of God as revered Jesus Christ. It is difficult to realize that the holy man had much influence with them. The why not with us in this civilization? This is the only way to bring about peace and to keep this nation out of war. In England many weeping an

was a healthy increase in Scout membership last year. It was brought out that in 1939 there were 18 Troops with a membership of 251 Scout while at the present time there are 24 Troops and a membership of 318 Scouts. Commissioner Johnson stated that the objective for the year has been 20 Troops and 320 Scouts, and thus it is shown that the objective was well passed in Troops at Scouts.

The principal address for the occasion was delivered by Oscar Adams, Secretary-Treasurer of the Church Extension Department of the A. M. E. Zion Church, and Grand Supreme Chancellor of the Order of Knights of Pythias, who was introduced by the master of ceremony. Among other things, the speaker made the following statement:

"At a time like this we pause whenever we are called upon to express ourselves in many words. The human family has not before seen a time like this—no prophecy has dedicated it and so we find ourselves in a new day and perilous time with hours of stress and much worry."

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"We come, as I understand it, to participate in the second annual banquet of the Interracial Division of the Birmingham Council of Boy Scouts of America. We are fortunate to have this festival at a time when America is celebrating the 31st anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scout Movement in this country, and when it is trying to decide how it may save civilization from destruction. It is significant, too, that this Birmingham people and the Council selected this day—the 12th of February—the birthday of America's greatest seer, benefactor and emancipator, Abraham Lincoln, who made slavery quake and tremble and his castles to crumble into dust; and we stand today Americans, free, in the southern farmer. That his materials be only accessible native products is the basis of all Dr. Carver's research."

—The Charlotte Observer.

Boy Scouts To

Celebrate Their 10th Anniversary

MAR 20 1941

A capacity crowd is expected to turn out Sunday afternoon to witness the 10th anniversary celebration of Scouting among Negro boys in Atlanta. This meeting will be held at the Wheat Street Baptist Church of which the Rev. W. Holmes Borders is pastor. The famous uniformed Washington High School Band composed of 50 boys and girls will lead the huge parade up Auburn avenue. Also featured in this parade will be the youthful David T. Howard, Jr. High school band composed of 30 well-trained musicians. This will undoubtedly be the largest and most spectacular parade held in the city in many years.

MAR 20 1941

Rev. W. R. Wilkes, pastor of Allen Temple A.M.E. Church, will deliver the main address. The parade will form at the corner of Courtland and Houston streets at 2:15 promptly. The program at the church will begin promptly at 3:00 p. m.

Spartanburg, S. C. Journal
June 20, 1911

Negro Divisional Scout Meetings Scheduled Tonight

Two negro divisional meetings are slated in Palmetto council districts tonight, one here and one at Chester.

The Spartan meeting will be held in Dr. J. B. Walker's office on North Church street at 8 o'clock.

The Chester group will gather at 7:30 o'clock at the Finley high school.

Albany, Ga., *News*
January 17, 1941

NEGRO DIVISIONAL SCOUT CONFERENCE IS CONDUCTED HERE

A Negro divisional Scout conference was held Wednesday night at Madison High School under the leadership of J. A. Banister, interracial chairman of the Albany District. Representatives of the Georgia Normal Training School and the Negro Business Men's Club, as well as members of the troop committee and leaders of St. John's Episcopal church where a troop is now operating, were present.

Members of the Albany district committee were present and gave encouragement toward the organization of two new troops for the Negro boys. Those present, besides Mr. Banister, were Walter H. Burt, Albany district chairman; Fred W. Lagerquist, organization and extension chairman for the Albany District; Victor Marquet, of the council training committee; and W. Y. Compton, Scout executive.

A formal training course was conducted by Principal Melvin Heard and his divisional training committee.

Chattanooga, Tenn., *Daily Times*
January 23, 1941

NIGHT CLASSES PLANNED FOR COLORED Y. W. C. A.

Lois Seeley, co-ordinator of distributive education, will instruct a ten-week course on personal adequacy, open to the business and professional colored girls of the city, at Phillis Wheatley Y. W. C. A., it was announced yesterday by the branch management.

The class opens next Monday at 7 p.m., and will continue each Monday night throughout the period without charge. "Any young woman employed in any line of work may join the class," the announcement said.

Chattanooga, Tenn., *Free Press*
January 18, 1941

Inter-Racial Group Backs Scout Troops

The Inter-racial Committee has extended its work into two underprivileged groups by the forming of three Scout troops, Chairman W. G. Foster announced today.

Two troops are in process of formation on Chattanooga's West Side, and another is being formed among

the colored youth at Bonny Oaks School.

The annual meeting of the group will be held Jan. 31.

Winston-Salem, N. C., *Sentinel*
January 26, 1941



A scene at the court of honor which was held recently by Boy Scout Troop No. 68 at the First Baptist Church. Willard McCloud is shown being presented a merit badge by E. N. Mitchell. In the background is J. A. Carter and E. F. Wilson, speaker for event. Other badges were won by Robert Brown, Leon Fulp, Harold Kennedy, Shelton Penn, and Charles Gwyn. Andrew Terrell and Melvin Brunt have passed the tenderfoot qualifications. The Scouts are preparing for a Scout rally on February 6 which is during Boy Scout Week.

LaGrange, Ga., *News*
February 11, 1941

NEGRO LEADERS STUDY SCOUTING

Course Conducted Under
Direction Area Executive
And District Chairmen

The second in the series of training classes for prospective colored Boy Scout leaders was held Monday night at Union street

school with colored leaders from LaGrange and Hogansville in attendance.

The first in the series was held Friday night when the study of "Elements of Scouting" was begun. Certificates for completion of the course will be presented at the third and final session which will be held Monday night, February 17.

Assisting in the course are Tom Morgan, executive of the Chattanooga area council; B. A. Lancaster, inter-racial chairman of the LaGrange district; the Rev. B. C. Kerr, organization chairman of the LaGrange district; and W. W. Keller, leadership training chairman, also of the LaGrange district.

Approximately 15 colored leaders are enrolled in the course.

Chattanooga, Tenn., *Daily Times*
February 1, 1941

BANQUET IS GIVEN BY SCOUT LEADERS

Persons Interested in the
Movement Among Negroes
Attend Annual Dinner

Approximately 250 Boy Scout leaders and friends interested in the scout movement among Negroes, attended the annual banquet, sponsored by the inter-racial committee of the organization, last night in the cafeteria of Joseph E. Smith school.

On the program which preceded the dinner, they heard Dr. W. L. Astrapp, physician with offices here and in South Pittsburg, and scoutmaster of Troop 124 in the latter city, make an appeal for "more parental co-operation to back up the work of the scout movement and the schoolteachers, to build more virile and practical manhood."

Dr. Astrapp also told of the necessity of character building, and made a plea for "the teaching of honesty, and the giving of confidential information early in life in order that we may build more substantial citizenship, and have a stronger moral content in the manhood of this nation."

W. G. Foster, News-Free Press editor, was introduced by C. K. Peacock, Boy Scout executive, and spoke on the urgency of preservation of America's man power through its boys. "Some adult is responsible for every boy in this country who goes wrong short of 18 years," he said, and made the observation that "this country spends more money for education than all nations in the world put together, yet has more juvenile criminals than all the rest. We must respect the commandment 'love thy neighbor' more fully, and feel a sense of responsibility that will bind the ties of man, and back up the work of our schools."

The program opened with mass singing of the national Negro anthem, led by Ludie David Collins without accompaniment. M. L. Brown, scout commissioner, followed as leader of the scout opening. The Rev. C. B. Holloway, pastor of Stanley Chapel Methodist church, delivered the invocation, prior to the introduction of the toastmaster, U. W. Richardson, by Prof. E. J. Henderson, banquet chairman.

Musical numbers were presented by the Crutcher Four singers, and Troop No. 1 Scout quartet.

Visitors introduced after the regular program were R. T. Faucett, past president of the area council; Clifford D. Bowers, scout commissioner; Education Commissioner Thomas H. McMillan, and Dr. W. B. Davis, chairman and founder of the colored division of local scouts.

Atlanta, Ga., *Journal*
February 11, 1941

Negro Boys' Club To Be Formed Here

Negro boys of Atlanta are to have a club in co-ordination with the Atlanta Boys' Club, as the result of a conversation while fishing between Dr. Louie D. Newton and Henry C. Heinz, president of the Atlanta Boys' Club. The existing Negro club, known as "Negro Boys' Club of the Law and Order League of America," will be taken under financial direction on March 1 when the Atlanta Boys' Club completes its budget for the remainder of the year. This was reported by Dr. Newton, pastor of the Druid Hills Baptist Church, who heads a committee appointed by Mr. Heinz to investigate the problem.

The Negro club, located at 277 Auburn Avenue, serves a large number of Negro boys in Atlanta. Supplemental help by Negro citizens will continue.

Tuscaloosa, Ala., *News*
February 16, 1941

Negro Elks To Help Promote Boy Scouts

Oak City Lodge No. 816 of the Negro Elks will assist the present expansion program of negro Boy Scout troops in the Black Warrior Council, lodge officials announced Saturday.

A two-day conference will be held soon at the lodge auditorium for discussion of this program. Participation of lodge members in this undertaking will be discussed Monday night at a meeting of the lodge.

Colored Scouts Have Court Of Honor Here

Charlottesville's Colored Boy Scout Troop 15 held a Court of Honor on Tuesday night at the home of Dr. J. A. Jackson. Hayes Willis is scoutmaster of the troop.

Pete Bruton, district commissioner, presented the following badges: Tenderfoot—W. D. Avery, Arnold Avery, Kenneth Page, Robert Harris, William Lewis, Porter Allen and James Cooper; Second Class—Clarence Tyke, Clarence Martin, Frank Allen, Van Brooks and Tyree Barbour.

Merit badges awarded were: Raymond Bell, music and handicraft; Henry Bell, safety and personal health; Rutherford Brice, personal health and woodwork; John Bell, public and personal health; Elwood Jackson, cooking and swimming; Alden Jackson, public and personal health; Thomas Cobbs, handicraft; Elmer Sampson, music; George Johnson, poultry raising; William Brown, masonry; and Ellis Dillard, handicraft.

Troop 15 will sing tonight at 8:30 o'clock at the Scout-O-Rama to be presented at the Lane High School.

February 14, 1941

Atlanta Negro Boys' Club To Change Status

White Group Will Take Over Supervision on March 1.

As result of a fishing club conversation between Dr. Louie D. Newton and Henry C. Heinz, president of Atlanta Boys' Club, Negro boys of Atlanta are to have a club under supervision of the present Boys' Club.

On March 1 the existing club for Negro boys will be taken under direction and financial guidance of the Boys' Club, following completion of a budget for remainder of the year. This was reported yesterday by Dr. Newton, pastor of Druid Hills Baptist church, who heads a committee which Heinz appointed to investigate the problem.

The Negro club is now known as "Negro Boys' Club of the Law and Order League of America" and is conducted under auspices of Fulton county courts. It is located at 277 Auburn avenue.

It will apply for membership in the 1942 Community Fund.

Newport News, Va. Press

February 9, 1941

NEGRO SCOUTS TO CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Negro Boy Scouts of the Peninsula council are celebrating the 31st anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. This also marks the sixth anniversary of Negro scouting on the Peninsula.

Effective scouting among Negroes began in 1934 with the establishment of Troop 30 at Phenix school with Carl M. Hill as scoutmaster. Another troop soon was established at Phenix school. Meeting the need for citizenship training and character building in an effective way, the movement soon spread to Greenbrier school with the establishment of Troop 35, then to Huntington high school, Union school, Gloucester, and Queen Street Baptist church, Hampton. In the past year new troops have been established at First Baptist church, Hampton; Zion Baptist church, Phoebus; First Baptist church, Williamsburg; St. Paul's A. M. E. church, Newport News, and a Cub Pack at Queen Street Baptist church, Hampton. There are at the present time, nine troops and one Cub Pack serving more than 300 scouts, cubs and scouters.

Celebration of anniversary week began with services in the schools by school-sponsored troops Friday.

Last night each troop assembled at its respective meeting place or in the home of its scoutmaster and listened to the radio address of Franklin D. Roosevelt, President, honorary president of the Boy Scouts of America.

Each troop will take part in Sunday morning services at the sponsoring churches and all troops and leaders will assemble at the Zion Baptist church, Phoebus, in their annual joint church service, Sunday afternoon at 4. Rev. J. Dett

Marshburn will deliver the anniversary sermon. A court of honor will be held at this same service—awards won at the board of review held Wednesday night at the scout hut, Phenix school, will be presented.

Wednesday night at 8 a large number of scouts, cubs, scouters and friends are expected to attend the annual father-son banquet in the cafeteria of the Huntington high school, Newport News. Judge John H. Bowen of Hampton will be the principal speaker and Rev. J. Dett Marshburn will be the master of ceremonies.

The celebration will culminate with a 15-minute broadcast over station WGH by Troop 36 of Huntington high school.

Jasper, Ala., Advertiser

February 19, 1941

Scouts Hold Com. Meet In Tuscaloosa

In one of the most enthusiastic meetings ever held in Black Warrior Council, sixty scouters from throughout the fourteen counties gathered in Tuscaloosa Sunday for a meeting of the Operating Committees.

Judge Chester Walker, Council president, presided and plans for new year's work was decided on. Chief in interest was the meeting of Camping and Activities Committee which made plans for further development of Camp Harris Lake, Tuscaloosa county, into a long-term camp with Camp Horne, Tuscaloosa county and Camp O'Rear, Walker county, to be used and adapted to short-term camping. Several week end camps are planned for Camps Horne and O'Rear and movement is under way for improvement of both of these in line with needs for this type of camping.

The Organization and Extension Committee adopted the objective of organizing 70 new scout units throughout the Council during 1941. Out of this number the objective adopted for five districts

in Walker county was four new units per district or twenty new troops in Walker county along with present total of 34 units. This would increase the membership in Walker county at least 60%.

The Health and Safety Committee adopted the plan for organizing Emergency Service Committee in every district in council. This corps will be for boys 15 years of age who are first-class scouts and are able to pass certain physical tests. This unit will be used in cases of emergency within the Council territory.

The following is schedule of activities for next two weeks in Walker county:

MONDAY, FEB. 17—

Meeting of group of citizens at Curry to organize a troop.

Meeting of troop committee, of Troop 117, Jasper, Ben Davis, chm.

TUESDAY, FEB. 18—

Work on organization of troop at Kansas.

Townley troop organization.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 19—

Meeting of citizens at Grace's Chapel to discuss organization of new troop.

THURSDAY, FEB. 20—

Negro rally, Walker County Vocational school.

Organization of Negro District Committee.

FRIDAY, FEB. 21—

Sipsey Cub Pack Training Course for parents.

Gorgas meeting of citizens to discuss reorganization of troop.

February 24th through February 28th meeting with scoutmasters will be held each night during the week for the following districts: Carbon Hill, Parrish, Jasper, Praco, Sumiton.

Alex Hogan, Walker county scout executive, said that to attain the high objective set for Walker during next two weeks the program will require full support of citizens. He added that this was the highest goal ever set in Region Five.

February 16, 1941

SCOUTS WILL CELEBRATE

Negro Troops Will Hold Rally This Afternoon

Celebrating 31 years of scouting, 700 Memphis negro Boy Scouts, representing 38 troops, will hold an Americanism program in Beale Avenue Park at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, J. A. Beauchamp, director of negro scouting, said yesterday.

Principal speaker will be Ervine H. Geiger, Memphis railroad official,

who will speak on "Americanism." J. L. Buckner will preside, and short talks will be made by J. E. Walker, W. Gordon Morris and Beauchamp. About 500 bird houses built by the scouts will be on display.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Free Press

February 7, 1941

Colored Scout Given High Rank of 'Eagle'

Virgil Clark, of Troop 97, Colored Boy Scouts, was recognized for the rank of Eagle at the Court of Honor meeting last night at Scout headquarters. L. D. Collins, chairman, conferred the honor. The rank of Eagle is the highest active rank that any boy can attain. Twenty-one merit badges, including 12 required subjects, are necessary to qualify a Scout for his Eagle rank.

First aid, life saving, personal health, public health, cooking, camping, bird study, pathfinding, pioneering, athletics or physical development are some of the many merit badge subjects a Scout is required to accomplish in order to gain Eagle recognition.

The following Scouts came before the Court of Honor and received recognition: Virgil Clark, Walter Clark, Preston Hurt, A. Z. Fagin, Henry Jones, Richard Kelly, Clifford Ball, William Robinson, James Wood, John Goss, Walter Clark, Henry Joiner and Percelle McFadden.

The following Scout leaders were present: J. H. Jenkins, C. C. Morton, David Williams, Orville Sparkman, E. J. Henderson, Sidney Currey, Ed Day, Moses Freeman, U. W. Richardson, Marvin Harris, Robert Bloodsaw and L. D. Collins.

Suffolk, Va., News-Herald

June 17, 1941

Negro Boy Scout Troop Is Installed

Last night marked the first installation of a Negro Boy Scout troop in Suffolk. The troop, No. 51, was inducted in an investiture service by Scout Executive Ernest K. White at Booker T. Washington high school.

H. M. Pinner, chairman of inter-racial scouting in Suffolk, presented the badges, and W. H. Darden, Jr., district chairman, presented the troop charter and commissions. S. A. Estes, Jr., discussed plans for the newly formed troop's attendance at Camp Jackson, Richmond's Negro Boy Scout camp, this summer. Presiding officer for the evening's installation was the Rev. C. L. Evans, chairman of the troop committee.

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RELIGION AND SOCIAL SERVICE

YOUNG NEGRO LEADERS OF AMERICANS—1

MOST boys and girls know something about the Christain Youth Council of North America, but not all of them know that the president from 1934 to 1936 was a young Negro, Martin Luther Harvey. He was elected on the conference grounds at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, by the hundred odd men and women from all the denominations represented in the council. A scant half dozen of the delegates were Negroes, and so it must have been a white majority that elected Mr. Harvey. Who is he, and how did it happen?

It was the Y.M.C.A. that gave Martin Harvey his first chance for leadership. When he was in high school in Hempstead, N. Y., one of several Negro students in a class of four hundred, the coloured secretary of the Nassau Suffolk County Y.M.C.A. of Long Island discovered him. The boy was the son of the pastor of the A.M.E. Zion Church, the largest local coloured church at that time, and hence a man of influence. The Negro community of Hempstead, dating from the time of the American Revolution, had numbered less than two hundred in a population of twenty thousand people until the ranks were suddenly swollen by the migrations from the South after the World War. From out of the older and more privileged group the secretaries of the county Y.M.C.A. were hoping to develop leaders who could help with the new community problem. With this in mind they began to watch Martin Harvey. At that time they were selecting a junior board from the members of the churches in the county, and the Negro Y.M.C.A. secretary nomina-

ted Martin Harvey. He thus became the only coloured member of the board among a score of white boys, most of whom he had met before. They liked him on acquaintance and chose him as vice president of the board.

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RELIGION AND SOCIAL SERVICE

YOUNG NEGRO LEADERS OF AMERICANS—2

The next year the President of the board resigned because he was going away to college. Should the vice president be promoted to fill the place? Discussion raged among the boys. It was as though they looked at Martin for the first time and saw his colour as a barrier. The Y. M. C. A. staff kept its hands off the decision, but the white secretary pointed out the real issues at stake. They were not so simple, he said, as the one question: "Shall we have a coloured boy for president?" The most important question was: "Would Martin Harvey do a good job?" Next, "Are you willing to elect a president who cannot be taken into many of your homes or asked to your social affairs? If you are, all right. But stop and think now, and be sure what you are doing." Some years later the Y. M. C. A. secretaries painstakingly pointed out the same issues to a larger group when Martin was being considered for president of the New York State Youth Council. In both cases Martin was elected.

Still hoping to develop a leader for his race, the Y. M. C. A. secretaries presently picked Martin Harvey as the first Negro delegate from his county to the New York State Youth Council. He proved

to be undismayed at finding himself the only Negro among six hundred white young people. In fact, what he did there led directly to his being sent to the Older Boys' and Girls' Leadership Conference held every summer at Lake Winnepesaukee, New Hampshire. Martin had this training for three summers, and usually he was the only coloured boy among fifty or more. By this time, and entirely through his own choice and effort, he was set on the path which he has followed ever since. That is the difficult path of the rare Negro whose work lies more among whites than it does among his own race. His friends in the Y. M. C. A. may have wondered where such a path would lead, but they kept on backing him.

One of the programme advisers of the Nassau-Suffolk County Y.M.C.A. was Dr. Samuel L. Hamilton, head of the Department of Religious Education of New York University. Martin's father, an exceptionally well equipped Negro minister, had a college degree, and it seemed natural for Martin to enter New York University. His major was religious education. As his course went on, he chose to carry increasing outside responsibilities. On Long Island he was helping that junior board of the Y.M.C.A. in a very exciting programme. They were organising one commission after another to consider such tremendous topics as war and peace, vocational guidance, and international relations. These

commissions usually turned into forum teams that went from place to place conducting discussions among the young people of the churches, mostly white.

Athens, Ala., Democrat
July 31, 1941

Valley's Negro Scouts Camp At Beulah Bay

Negro Boy Scouts from Athens, Decatur, Huntsville and the Tri-Cities began a week's encampment at Beulah Bay Wednesday and a program for the general advancement of every youth has been designed. The work will be under the direction of M. L. Hubbard, executive officer of Huntsville, Mr. Mathison and Mr. Tarter, water-front directors, and the negro leaders, Leon Perkins, Decatur, and Spurgeon Jay Mayfield, Athens.

Telegraph

Macon, Georgia

Boy Scouts To Organize

St. Paul AME Boy Scouts are making complete arrangements to organize a club to aid the E.M. Scouts.

The Scouts of this troop [42], are inviting every person in Macon who would like to unite their interest in this club to be present at a social next Wednesday, Aug. 6 at 5:30 p.m.

One of the Scouts' high officials will be present. Please help keep scouting young in growing Macon. Corner Langston, S.M.; J. E. Early, Asst. S.M.

Pittsburgh Courier

Pittsburgh, Pa.

PICK SUCCESSOR TO GEORGE ARTHUR

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—(ANP)—O. O. Morris, 48, for 14 years executive secretary of the Union Street YMCA, in St. Louis has been recommended by Frank E. Hathaway, white, 40, general "Y" secretary, to succeed the late George Arthur as executive secretary of the Wabash Avenue YMCA. The board of directors is expected to make a decision this week.

Daily World Atlanta, Georgia Boy Scout Leaders Here For School

Boy Scout leaders from all sections of the country began pouring into Atlanta Thursday for the training school which is scheduled to open today at Booker T. Washington high school.

The school is to be in session through August 17, during which time the scout leaders will make a trip to Camp J. K. Orr.

F. D. Morris, head of the colored division of Boy Scouts here, is expecting Stanley A. Harris, white, director of interracial activities, Boy Scouts of America, and several of his assistants Jackson, Miss., News
August 30, 1941

Negro Scout Troop Organized

The organization of Troop 59, Boy Scouts of America, is announced by William Johnson Community Center, only negro agency of the Jackson Community Chest.

Organization of the troop followed a series of conferences at the negro community center which resulted in M. E. Moseley, Chauncey Davis, and Dr. C. B. Christian being named as the troop committee. Official sponsors of the Scout troop are the Board of Directors of the William Johnson Community Center, of which Mrs. J. Morgan Stevens is chairman.

The first meeting of the new colored troop was held this week. The new recruits heard instructions as to Scout activities, participated in Scout games, and inspected the Community Center library.

Regular meetings of the troop, it is announced, will be held at 8 o'clock each Tuesday night at the William Johnson Community Center. Neal H. Pearson is Scoutmaster of the organization, and Luther Buckley, assistant Scoutmaster.

Seek Field Executives For Boy Scout Program

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20 STATES REPRESENTED

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The school was divided into two complete Boy Scout troops, each with its troop committee, scoutmaster, assistant scoutmasters, senior patrol leader and patrol leaders. Each troop was given a part of the athletic field and two complete Boy Scout Camps were set up, the entire group being quartered in tents. The scoutmaster running the troop through his assistants and patrol leaders just as in a regular troop.

The officers of the two troops were, Scoutmasters Lewis Watts, Atlanta, Ga.; J. A. Beauchamp, Memphis, Tenn.; Assistant Scoutmasters A. L. Jasper, Birmingham, Ala.; M. E. Graham, Savannah, Ga.; B. F. Kersey, Richmond, Va.; W. M. Sweet, Jacksonville, Fla.; Senior Patrol Leader R. N. Dixon and Q. J. Addlerly, Patrol Leaders, J. L. Jenkins, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Earle Horton, Charlotte, N. C.; Lewis Sewell, Pensacola, Fla.; F. C. Jackson, Charleston, W. Va.; E. J. Ellis, Norfolk, Va.; N. Adams, West Palm Beach; Jesse Briggs, Portsmouth, Va.; E. R. Dixon, Dallas, Texas; Herman Sears, Marshall, Texas; and W. A. Harden, Dallas, Texas.

MOVEMENT GETTING SUPPORT

According to recent reports, Southern states that once opposed Scouting among Negro boys, are now eagerly supporting the movement and aiding in the employment of Negro field executives. Negro scouts are participating in all activities and played an important part in the recent Defense Good Turns.

Charlotte N. C. Observer
September 3, 1941

NEGRO LEADERS MEET ADDLERLY

Newly-Appointed Scout Executive For Race Introduced at Dinner In City.

Q. J. Addlerly, newly-appointed Negro Scout executive for Charlotte, was introduced to Negro civic leaders last night at a meeting held at Adams Business school. Approximately 50 leaders in Negro life here attended the meeting and voiced their approval of the long-awaited program that brings Scouting on an extensive scale to the Negro boys of Charlotte.

Addlerly comes to Charlotte from Lakeland, Fla., where he served as principal of a Negro school. He recently was selected by Scout officials of Charlotte out of a group of 25 men who had qualified as Negro executives at Atlanta, Ga. Several Negro leaders pointed out that the actual employment of a Negro Scout executive here was the fulfillment of a long-cherished dream. All present pledged their enthusiastic support to pushing the Scouting program among members of their race here and of giving Addlerly their 100 per cent co-operation.

Fred Alexander, chairman of organization and extension among Negro Scouts, announced that he has found sponsors for seven new troops, to be organized by Addlerly. There are only three troops at present, but Scout officials declare that there are 1,200 Negro boys in Charlotte who should be brought into the Scout program.

W. C. Hart, chairman of the Negro district committee, presided over the meeting. E. A. Cole, chairman of the Inter-racial Scouting committee of the Mecklenburg Boy Scout council was present along with Scout Executive Charles F. Safley, Council President W. H. Halliburton, Carl McCraw, and K. C. Hicks.

Addlerly will be introduced to the Mecklenburg council today at

1 o'clock at a luncheon meeting at Thacker's. He then will return to Lakeland to close his affairs and will return to Charlotte with his wife on September 10, at which time he will begin his new duties.

September 3, 1941

Delta Teacher Named 'Y' Leader For Negro Work

Professor H. C. Harper, Doddsville negro educator, has been named Assistant Secretary for service among the Negro Youth of the State, it is announced by the State YMCA.

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Among the first of the leading school men to take an active interest in the Luxis Club, negro youth and service organization, Professor Harper will now be primarily responsible for the leadership, and promotion of the Luxis Movement. The Movement, it is stated, now serves older negro boys and girls in 141 clubs, and lists a membership of almost 5000. Its basis is Christian service and leadership.

Harper, it is announced, will also have much to do with the activities of the YMCA on the campuses of the negro colleges throughout the state, and with the local "Y" headquarters in various cities.

Roanoke, Ala., Leader
October 15, 1941

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Under Supervision of Teachers in Drive

Pittsburgh Courier
Pittsburgh, Pa.

By JACKIE BLOUNT

One hundred and fifty negro Boy Scouts left Houston for the Campbell, state-wide camp for negro Scouts, at Prairie View State college.

An ideal camp site has been arranged for the boys one mile from the college campus. They will have sanitary showers, a drill field, a ball diamond, and all modern equipment for a successful camp.

Levi Watts, negro Scout executive here, is in charge of the Houston delegation.

The third session of the M. C. A. camp promoted by the Houston branch of the association opened at Spring, where two camps have already completed training for the season.

Camp directors are Carl C. Mack and L. K. Shivery.

Negroes took an active part in the big aluminum for defense drive.

Negro school children reported at Bruce, Brock, Blackshear, Douglass, Burroughs, Atherton, Wheatley and Washington schools, where, under the supervision of negro teachers, they began solicitation for aluminum from negro homes.

Registrations are being taken at Emancipation swimming pool for the junior class in life saving.

Scheduled to last two hours each day, the course will run for at least two weeks. This will mark the first time a course in junior life saving has been offered negro youngsters in Houston.

Rolland Storey, director of the Soldiers Service bureau on Main street, addressed a meeting of the committee of the negro Soldiers Service bureau at the Pilgrim building.

Headed by Dr. L. C. Thomas, the committee was organized as a clearing house for negro soldiers coming into this city from Camp Wallace. There are over 400 negro soldiers stationed at Camp Wallace.

With Rev. G. H. Guyton as secretary, the bureau is maintaining headquarters with the Chamber of Commerce. O. K. Manning is executive secretary of the chamber.

Wealthy Shoe Manufacturer Donates Beautiful Camp To Race Boy Scouts

90-Acre Camp Lone Dell Formally Dedicated at Impressive Ceremonies—David P. Wohl Aids Missouri Boy Scouts.

ST. LOUIS, July 24.—One of the biggest events in the history of Negro scouting in this section took place Thursday, July 10, when Camp Lone Dell, huge 90-acre tract of rolling woodlands in Franklin county, some 47 miles from St. Louis, was formally dedicated. It is the first official camp of its kind for the Negro youth of this section.

The camp, it is believed, will stimulate greater interest in Scout-the grounds. The camp is located in St. Louis, which has 34 troops with 664 colored scouts now actively participating and four cub packs containing 41 other youths.

The event was significant in that nearly 40 busy executives attended. At present there are two completely equipped permanent camps in the St. Louis area. Each has a 16x24-foot screened dining hall, accommodates 32 scouts. Kitchen facilities include sink, hot and cold water, work table, ice box, cooking range with fuel furnished, four individual patrol dining tables and benches, storage cabinet and cooking and eating utensils.

Words and pictures fail to catch the rare beauty of this spot, which, according to Wes Klussman, national director of camping for the B.S.A., who was present, lauded as one of the best in the country.

The entire undertaking was made possible by David P. Wohl, vice president of the St. Louis Council B.S.A. and wealthy president of the shoe company bearing his name.

SWEETS ACCEPTS GIFT

Chairman Sweets, in accepting the gift of grounds and equipment on behalf of the racial group, asserted that the kind and generous action of Vice President Wohl paved the way for the helping of many more youngsters of his racial group in getting the proper start in life and one that should be rewarded in terms of better health and better citizenship.

Scouts at the camp, which opened early in June, took part in the flag raising that closed the dedicatory ceremonies.

The camp facilities include a large headquarters and quarter-master's building, a recreation field, several fine camping sites, and an

rounding St. Louis.

Assistants at the camp include C. H. Harper, Sumner high school math instructor, in charge of the reading program; Dr. Jack Ward Gray, head of the health department; Otis Finley Sr., Vashon high school coach, in charge of athletics, and Harold Madison Gray, industrial educational instructor at Simmons school, in charge of handicraft.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Daily Times
July 18, 1941

NEGRO BOY SCOUTS PLAN 2-WEEK CAMP

Two Days Will Be Spent as
Well on Educational
Trip to Nashville

Colored Boys Scouts of the Chattanooga area will spend two weeks at Camp W. B. Davis, and two days in Nashville on an educational tour, Prog. J. L. Jenkins, scout commissioner, stated yesterday.

The camp opens Aug. 4, and this year H. J. Hailey, J. H. Jenkins, Joe Morrow and J. L. Jenkins, of the committee on management, have arranged for sanitary improvements that will make the camp "more wholesome for the boys."

"At the instance of Dr. L. L. Patten, camp physician, we have completely screened the kitchen and dining room, and painted the building inside and outside," Prof. Jenkins said. "There will be a first-aid station outfitted, and at the present time there are 200 boys registered for the entire two weeks."

Three days will be given over to the cubs, and the camp will be open each day for visitors. The Mountain City Medical society, Dr. P. A. Stephens, president, has offered to examine free of charge each of the boys attending the camp.

"There are 350 boys in troops in this area, and 100 have registered for the educational tour in Nashville. We will be there two days in camp, and will visit educational institutions and hike along the Cumberland river and through the wooded lands of Davidson county," Prof. Jenkins said. The tour will follow the local encampment at Camp Davis.

The scout commissioner in charge of colored work in the Chattanooga area is also principal of East Fifth Street school, and president of the East Tennessee Association of Teachers in Colored Schools, which meets here Oct. 23, 24 and 25, this year, with the Chattanooga association as hosts.

He will officially represent the East Tennessee association at the American Teachers' association at West Virginia State college, Institute, W. Va., in their annual meeting, July 30, 31 and Aug. 1, and will return in time to take charge of the encampment of the scouts.

Columbia, S. C. Record
July 24, 1941

Negro Scout Camp To Be Aug. 18-24

The Negro division of the Central South Carolina council, Boy Scouts of America, will conduct a week's camp for Negro boys near Jenkinsville, August 18 to 24, Scout headquarters in Columbia announced today.

The camp will be held on property of the St. Barnabas Episcopal Mission, on the Winnsboro road near Jenkinsville. About 40 boys are expected to attend the week's program.

The camp administration will be in charge of C. A. Johnson, chairman of the Negro division of the council; C. W. Madden, district committee chairman, and William

E. Czarnitzki, Scout executive. Camp director will be Harry Goodwin. He will be assisted by John F. Potts, Arthur F. Young, William Gilliam, Leroy Shelton, Monroe Taylor, and Leroy Scott. A charge of \$3 will be made for each boy attending the week's camp session. This charge will cover all expenses including transportation. Scout headquarters said.

News of Atlanta's Negro Community

By WILLIAM Y. BELL JR.

One hundred Boy Scout leaders from most of the Eastern and many of the South Central states were awarded certificates last Sunday afternoon at Washington High School after having completed a 10-day training course sponsored by the Interracial Division of the National Boy Scout Council in the effort to improve the work done among Negro boys.

Directed by W. A. Dobson, regional staff worker, and Stanley A. Harris and Harold F. Pote, national staff workers, the National Training School for Boy Scout leaders offered three courses on how to teach Tenderfoot, Second

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Class and First Class requirements. A fourth course, troop camping, was taught by Mr. Klusman, of the New York office, and was supplemented by 10 days living under camp conditions at the school.

The course on elements of leadership involved a study of how to set up and recruit a training course as well as how to conduct it on as nearly an ideal basis as possible. Much attention was also focused on building a troop program for individual meeting nights and for the entire period of the year.

Aids to troop organization were outlined in order to show how to set up organization and extension committees and how to conduct surveys. The Cubbing program of activity among boys between the ages of 9 and 12 years was also explained.

Certificates were presented by Harris and Taylor to 96 students in the Elements of Leadership course; 90 students in the Scout Administration course; 94 students in the Cubbing course; and 86 in the Camp Directors course.

First Training School

The first training school for Negro Scout executives ever held in this section, the school was an expression of the National Boy Scout Council's interest in securing more Negro field executives to administer Boy Scout work in various communities where it is

being opened up.

The increasing importance of Negro Scout work was emphasized by Mr. Harris who indicated that there are now more than 50,000 Negro Scouts in the United States. "We have had an increase of 300 per cent during the last 10 years," he said, "and we are expecting an increase of around 10,000 Scouts this year. Every Scout Council in the country is actively engaged in

Charleston, S. C. News & Courier
August 9, 1941

FOR NEGRO SCOUTERS

12 to Get Certificates at Centenary Tomorrow

A special program of particular interest to negro Boy Scouts and Scouters of the Charleston district, Boy Scouts of America, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at Centenary M. E. church, at which time Bonnie Huff, chairman of the leadership training committee of the coastal Carolina council, will present certificates to twelve Scouters recently having completed a training course on "Introduction to Scouting" conducted by the Rev. J. F. Henderson, chairman of the negro leadership training committee of the district.

Fred J. Attaway, Scout commissioner, will represent all the other Scouts and Scouters of the council and will deliver an address commending progress during the past year. Also on the program will be Dr. S. M. Miller, district superintendent of Centenary Church.

The meeting is open to all negro Scouts and Scouters as well as their friends so they may witness the presentation of these training certificates to the following men: B. E. Green, Phoenix Porches, Rufus Hamilton, Albert Scott, Ralph Grant, Norman Wilson, Oscar Gilliard, George Heyward, Leroy Drayton, L. Washington, I. S. Bash and Professor L. M. Howard.

Greenville, S. C. News
August 2, 1941

Plan To Register Negro Scout Troop

Troop Committee Formed; Miss Tilley To Meet With Leaders

Plans to register the only negro Girl Scout troop in this city are progressing, Miss Treva Tilley, Girl Scout director here, said last night.

Miss Tilley said she had met with a committee which has said it will sponsor the group as the troop committee. Margaret Sewell has been elected chairman of this committee.

Miss Tilley also announced that she would hold a meeting with Rose Huggin, leader of the troop, and other interested persons Monday afternoon and give instructions in troop procedure.

The officials hope to have the troop registered by September, Miss Tilley said.

Charlotte, N. C. Observer
September 3, 1941

NEGRO SCOUTING.

Boy Scout executives of Charlotte have taken a long stride toward tackling the problem of juvenile delinquency among Negro youths in planning for the procurement of a competent Negro Boy Scout executive.

The need for such an activity in behalf of the Negro boyhood of Charlotte has long been recognized. That need has never been more acute than at this time.

And there is reason to assume that the same good results will accrue from providing the same ennobling Scouting services and influences for the Negro youths as have so conspicuously and fruitfully come to the boyhood of the white race here and throughout America.

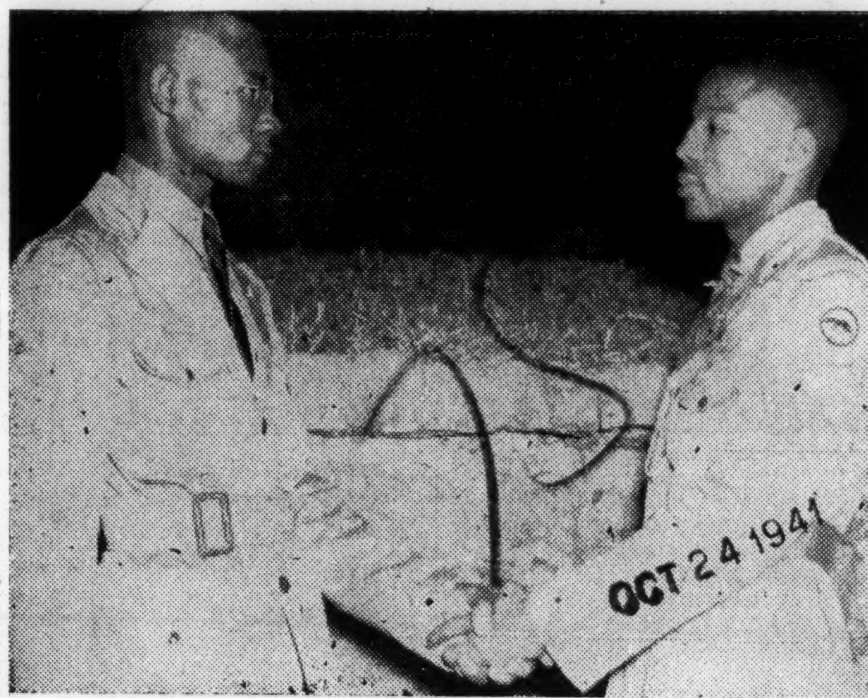
The Boy Scout organization is everywhere regarded as one of the major influences for fashioning youthhood into the ways of good citizenship and a strong, wholesome, reliable manhood and character. Its praises are universally sung. Its good work is everywhere lauded.

The opportunity in Charlotte for spreading its fine functions to Negro boys is inviting. With the right backing and the proper executive leadership, such a work can be made to go far in getting on top of the very troublesome and even critical problem of waywardness in this group.

Scout leaders of both races who have been instrumental in taking this important forward step in the interest of an improved social order in this community are worthy of the high awards of commendation which their interest in this movement justifies.

Daily World
Atlanta, Georgia

Had Successful First Year



Scoutmasters Howard Hawkins, 1, and A. T. Berryhill of Rome, congratulate each other on the successes they had during the first year of scout expansion in the North Georgia city. Under the direction of Mr. Berryhill the number of Scouts increased from eight to more than 100. He has set a goal of 250 for the coming year.

Roanoke, Ala. Leader
October 15, 1941

INTER-RACIAL WORK

Lanett, Oct. 1.—Lawrence Stanley, former pastor of the Lanett Congregational Christian Church, has been named the field executive of the Chattahoochee Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, to devote his time to promoting inter-racial Scouting. This announcement was made today by Tom Morgan, Scout executive.

In an interview Mr. Stanley said, "My first work will be to make a survey of the field to determine the number of Negro boys of Scout age in the territory and to ascertain what will be needed to promote the new program. Following this survey a training school will be conducted for prospective Negro Scoutmasters. Part of my time in the field will also be spent in working with the white Scout troops." It is understood there are ap-

proximately 13 Negro Scout troops in the Chattahoochee Area Council, with 11 of these in the Valley.

Mr. Stanley recently attended the National Council Training School at Mendham, N. J., in preparation for his new work. He preached his last sermon at the Lanett Congregational-Christian Church last Sunday night. His successor there has not been named.

Argus

Louis, Missouri

O. O. MORRIS LEAVES US

On Tuesday of this week, Ottaway O. Morris, formally relinquished his office as Executive Secretary of the Pine Street Y.M.C.A. and on Wednesday of this week took up his new duties as executive secretary of the Wabash Y.M.C.A. at Chicago, Illinois.

In leaving St. Louis Mr. Morris has left a fine record as a Y.M.C.A. executive. Coming here fifteen years ago as Boys' Work Secretary, little did he or we think at the time that through the years he would have been able to make the splendid record he has made in Y.M.C.A. work.

It is interesting to note here that the resignation of Mr. H. K. Kraft, the leaders of the Young Men's Christian Association looked among the members of its then present staff and selected Mr. Morris as Mr. Kraft's successor. The new Executive Secretary resumed the responsibility thus conferred upon him and went to work. And work is the story of his success.

On the eve of his leaving, several organizations in which Mr. Morris had membership, sponsored a farewell get-together meeting for him and his wife. The testimonials showed that Mr. Morris was active in the social, civic, religious and fraternal organizations of the city and that his contacts had made many friends for the Y.M.C.A.'s cause.

Robert R. Vernon, General Secretary of the Metropolitan St. Louis Y.M.C.A., praised the work of Mr. Morris and said that inasmuch as the Pine Street Y.M.C.A. had a much larger membership than the Wabash Y.M.C.A. there remained the question as to whether Mr. Morris was being "promoted or demoted". Of course, the opportunity for service will be much greater in Chicago than it is in St. Louis and Mr. Morris will have the chance to exploit his dynamic force to build the Wabash branch up to the Pine Street branch.

We bid you adieu, "O. O.," and wish for you an abundant success in your new field.

Columbus, Ga. Ledger
September 26, 1941

Negro' Leaders to Hear Reports On Scout Fund Drive

Reports on the progress of a campaign here to raise \$1,000 for extension of the Boy Scout program to additional negro youths in the community, will be heard at a meeting of negro leaders to be held at the Colored Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. Friday night. The campaign was launched last

Monday.

Urging full attendance of workers at the meeting tonight, Prof. R. P. Smith, negro divisional chairman, declared:

"Columbus and Phenix City should not lag behind other South-eastern councils."

He pointed out that of the 35 Boy Scout councils in Region Six, which embraces Georgia, Florida, North Carolina and South Carolina, the local council with its large numbers of negro youths, stands near the bottom of the list in extending the Scout program to negro boys.

This council area has only two negro troops of Scouts, yet the negro boy population is so large that it could not adequately be served by 50 troops, Professor

Smith said.

A. J. Taylor, assistant national director of inter-racial scouting, has been in Columbus for the last week conferring with negro leaders relative to the Boy Scout program and helping to direct the fund-raising campaign.

Greenville, S. C. Piedmont
September 30, 1941

Negro Scout Aide Needed

Foundation Would Provide Part Of Salary; Gorman Cites Need

"One of our greatest needs at present is that of a negro field executive to expand our colored scouting program" Executive O. B. Gorman, of the Blue Ridge council said today.

"The council is one of the very few more progressive in the South that does not have a colored worker in its employ," he added.

An educational foundation has offered the council a grant of \$500 and only \$1,000 will have to be raised locally in order to hire an experienced colored scouting man.

There are 1,666 negro boys in the Blue Ridge council area that reach scout age every year. Right now there are only 28 active negro scouts in the Greenville district.

The negro scout program is operated on the same general racial plan as the local school system. All colored activities are operated separately and distinctly apart from the white.

Councils that have already made this "progressive step" include Mecklenburg council with headquarters in Charlotte, the Greensboro council at Greensboro and the Palmetto council at Spartanburg.

Nine others in this region have also added negro workers to their staffs.

Anderson, S. C. Independent Trib
October 18, 1941

Negro Boy Scout Drive Under Way; \$250 Is Sought

The city-wide campaign to raise funds for Negro Boy Scout work in Anderson, under way since Wednesday, is making good progress, and committee members are expected to report at Reed Street School this morning at 10 o'clock, Dr. J. C. Anderson, chairman of the Scout committee, said last night.

A goal of \$250 is sought, and contributions from all citizens interested in Negro youth will be appreciated.

The Rev. G. Sterling Sawyer is in general charge of the Negro Boy Scout campaign.

Chicago Bee
Chicago, Illinois

The 'Y' Secretary

O O. MORRIS of St. Louis last week took up the responsibility of succeeding the late George R. Arthur as executive secretary of the Wabash avenue branch of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Mr. Morris's record as former head of a branch of the YMCA in St. Louis, coupled with many years of excellent service in community affairs assure the people of the South Side that the Wabash avenue branch of the YMCA has a leader who will ably fill the shoes of George Arthur and carry to successful conclusion the commendable program that is already underway.

To this end the new secretary will have the wholehearted support of the people of our community. He will always find in them a willingness and an eagerness to serve in a manner consistent with the highest ideals of the Young Men's Christian association.

Greenville, S. C. Piedmont
November 26, 1941

Harris Talks To Scout Men

National Director Of Inter-Racial Scouting To Attend Several Meets

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial Scouting, will be guest speaker at the monthly executive board meeting of the Blue Ridge Boy Scout council at Hotel Greenville Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Council President R. E. Ferguson announced today that Mr. Harris also would meet with the inter-racial committee Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the Hotel Greenville. He will be in the city several days during which he will visit most of the districts in the council.

Tuesday night he will be principal speaker at the annual meeting of Scouters in the Greenwood district.

Learns What Y Is Doing To Solve Youth Problem

By WALT SMITH

STANDING in the midst of the colored community and dwarfing adjacent buildings is the structure known as the Harlem Branch Y. M. C. A. Open twenty-four hours a day, three hundred and sixty-five days in the year, men and boys by the hundreds go in and out its doors daily—some women too. There is evidence of much activity to even the most casual observer and he finds little difficulty in learning who, what, where, when, why and how. I sat down in the lunch bar and soon engaged a fellow diner in conversation.

"What do you think about this the need for the program of the stuff in the newspapers we have Y. M. C. A. becomes clear. Fundamentally a youth movement, did not seem to agree with my use apart from being an institution, it of the term "latently" and implied recognizes preparation for citizenship that he had been reading for quite ship as one of its major responsibilities. a few years now and his memory was pretty good. He needed very little prompting when I inquired about what the "Y" was doing.

Needs Are Conspicuous

"Viewed in the past or present, the need for youth centres and other agencies to conduct leisure time programs has been conspicuous," he said. "Not just programs 'to keep them off the streets' but to aid in character and citizenship education—what educators and other thinking people refer to as education for responsibility in a democracy. The Y. M. C. A. in its uptown location has been engaged at this job for some twenty-two years and has been one of the outstanding rallying points of democracy.

"It is hardly necessary," he continued, "to point out that there has been a striking array of political and social arguments which deride the virtues of democracy. These arguments, when sown among the discontent and dissatisfaction which characterize low economic and minority groups must be reckoned with. There is now a rude awakening to the fact that the democracy of our fathers cannot be taken for granted, that democracy must be defended and made the instrument of the broadest service to all the people, if it is to survive. There has been a great need for holding youth fast to democracy. Economic conditions have been so unstable over the past decade as to seriously hamper vocational opportunity and dampen the ardor and ambition of men and women. From these elders youth ordinarily gets inspiration. It is at this point that

the need for the program of the Y. M. C. A. becomes clear. Fundamentally a youth movement, apart from being an institution, it recognizes preparation for citizenship as one of its major responsibilities."

The formality of introduction had been overlooked but it did not seem to matter. We strolled toward the lobbies and pointing out the Honor Roll of Century Men, Emblem Club and Hall of Fame he continued, "The day by day job of the 'Y' is not glamorous. But a roll call of those who have come through its ranks would be most impressive. It would reveal men and boys in all walks of life—education, health, religion, government, entertainment, sports, civil and national defense, race relations and the whole gamut of human interests and occupations. It will be found that these persons are playing a conspicuous role in the leadership of affairs. They are in the vanguard."

No Class Distinction

Like many a visitor I remarked on the "democracy" evidenced in the mingling of men of various walks of life—lawyer, doctor, teacher, musician, policeman, fireman, postal clerk, businessman, social worker, waiter, elevator operator, writer. I am impressed by the absence of class distinctions and it is not long before I am "one of the boys." Here one does not have to reckon with the fine lines which divide men on race, creed, color or position. My companion refers to it as "an aristocracy of fellowship." I conclude that the 'Y' is perhaps the New York Athletic Club or the Union League Club of Harlem.

Glancing at the bulletin board where the activities for the day are posted and continuing to listen

intently to my companion, I soon did an about face and concluded that the 'Y' is a Community Center. How else explain the large volume of non-membership services? Free employment placement, meeting place for fraternities, sororities, clubs, civic organizations, adult education classes, forums, a sort of "Travelers Aid Bureau"—all combining to enhance the serviceability, the prestige and tradition of the Y. M. C. A. In political circles, I recall, it used to be said that as Maine goes, so goes the rest of the country. It is said in 'Y' circles that as Harlem goes, so goes the rest of the country. There might be something to this. National Council, City Headquarters, Branch Board, Committees, Councils, Members and Staff are proud of the achievements. They seek an opportunity for larger and more effective service which only increased financial support will provide.

Talks of Boys' Work

A youngster came up to the information desk and was referred to the Boys' Division. This distraction opened up another angle to our conversation and we strolled toward the Annex building, where the Boys' Work is housed. "What would you say was the distinctive feature of the program?" I inquired.

"I would say that it was something not immediately obvious and so, often overlooked," my companion replied. "In the leisure time program for boys, group work has come to play an important role. Educators and social case workers are coming more and more to realize the value of social group work in its application to education for responsibilities in a democracy. They recognize it, too, as an instrument for influencing individual behavior. It is natural, therefore, that the foundation should be laid in the younger element in the community. Not enough of us have given thought to the practice, as well as the theory, of democracy; hence, the growing concern on this subject. Group work is an implementation of democracy; it is a mode of action which may be experienced by all persons in terms of their work and their leisure. It aims to provide opportunities for the development of valid leadership by conducting experiments which are small and manageable."

Getting Into Deep Water

We were getting into deep water. But my guide continued, "It is in line with this thinking that the Boys' Work Program attempts to keep pace. It offers a

wide and varied choice of activities to meet the interests of boys. They are encouraged to play and assume leadership according to their growing capacities, under sympathetic and capable adult guidance. This wide and varied program includes training in leadership through junior councils, cabinets and committees; low organized activities, such as are generally carried on in gamerooms, embracing supervised play, special tournaments, and hobby activities; arts and crafts, which include pottery, metalry, woodcraft, leathercraft, model aircraft, among others; music and dramatics, which have not only a recreational but also a cultural emphasis; athletic and social clubs, many of them on the Gra-Y Jr. Hi-Y. and Hi-Y. pattern. I might interpose here that the purpose of Hi-Y. is 'To Create, Maintain and Extend throughout school and community, high standards of Christian character.' The physical and health education activities common to the gymnasium and swim-

ming pool reach far beyond the regular membership."

My companion looked at his watch and excused himself. He had been extremely helpful. Soon I was engaged with an alert little chap. He turned out to be one of "The Y's Kids," a group of ten boys who had appeared on an "Information Please" program. He was certain that the 'Y' had the best basketball teams and had done a lot to popularize the sport. Most of the teams in the community have at least one former 'Y' player and the colored professional champions have several. Many of the high schools and colleges get players from 'Y' teams. Many of these players are to be found in the Southern colleges and it is because of this athletic training that many are able to secure scholarships to further their educational and vocational future.

Don't Miss Very Much

"Kids nowadays don't seem to miss very much," I remarked. My young friend looked at me quizzically and pointing out a picture of the Swimming team composed of Minnows, Fish and Jr. Sharks, he continued, "We are pretty good in swimming, too. We win almost all our meets." He volunteered further that one of the greatest contributions of the 'Y' to the community was that of making it swim conscious under the slogan, "Every boy a swimmer and every swimmer a life saver." He also credited the 'Y' with having pioneered and prepared boys for competitive swimming: These boys were the first to break into

P.S.A.L. competition and win distinction. One boy even crashed the college ranks. More and more colored competitors are seen on high school teams, and it is the exception when they are barred. This "wise" kid also called my attention to the number of 'Y' trained lifeguards at the public beaches and pools.

"I am going to get invited to the big dinner next year," he remarked optimistically, and not waiting for me to show why ignorance he continued, "The 'Y' Boys' Work Committee, in cooperation with Amsterdam Star-News, puts on a big dinner for all of the outstanding colored athletes in the High Schools of greater New York City and community Jr. High Schools every year. These boys get a lot of recognition and some of them even get athletic scholarships to schools and colleges. A lot of the big time athletes come out to the dinner, too. Some of them I would never see, since I don't go to all the big college games and meets."

We would be talking about sports yet but I cut in, "What are you planning to do when you grow up, fellow?" "Don't know yet," was the rejoinder, "though policeman and fireman look pretty good. A lot of the men who have been training around the 'Y' seem to pass awfully high on the list. One fellow headed the Fireman's list and missed a one hundred percent mark by a fraction."

An Award of Merit hanging on the wall attracted my attention. "For outstanding work on Commission—International Relations." On it was inscribed the names of twelve boys who had attended New York State Y. M. C. A. Older Boys' Conference in 1939, "The World of Tomorrow." My guide volunteered that there had been a more recent conference, the theme of which was "Christian Youth in a World of Conflict."

Greenville, S. C. December 1, 1941

Council Scouters To Hear Harris

Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial Scouting, will be principal speaker at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Boy Scout council in Hotel Greenville tonight at 7 o'clock.

Principal business will be hearing of reports on membership and finance for the fiscal year ended October 31.